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1	PROCEEDINGS	1	Q.	Page 7 Thank you.
2	(Witness sworn.)	2		And do you also have a work
3	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now on	3		address, Mr. Lindell?
4	the record. The time is 9:40 a.m. Central	4	A.	Yes.
5	Time. Today is August the 27th of 2024.	5	Q.	What is that address?
6	This begins the video conference	6	A.	1550 Audubon Road, Chaska, Minnesota,
7	deposition of Michael Lindell. The case is	7		C-H-A-S-K-A, 55318.
8	Smartmatic USA Corporation, et al. vs.	8	Q.	And obviously we're virtual here today. Are
9	Lindell, et al.	9		you at your home location or your office
10	My name is Don Savoy. I'm your	10		location or somewhere else?
11	remote videographer today. The court	11	Α.	Home.
12	reporter is Deb Beauvais. We are	12	Q.	And I understand you've been deposed in this
13	representing Esquire Deposition Solutions.	13		case before and several other times. Is that
14	Counsel, could you please state	14		correct?
15	your name and whom you represent, after which	15	Δ	Yes.
16	the court reporter will swear in the witness.	16		And so you probably know some of these rules,
17	MR. FREY: Yes. This is Tim Frey	17	σ.	but I'll just go through them again to
18	of the Benesch law firm representing the	18		refresh your recollection.
19	Smartmatic plaintiffs.	19		First, I'll be asking you a series
20	MS. LOFTUS: Julie Loftus also	20		of questions today, and if at any point you
21		21		don't understand my question, I'll ask that
22	representing the Smartmatic plaintiffs.  MR. KACHOUROFF: Chris Kachouroff	22		
		23	۸	you ask me to clarify it. Is that fair? Yes.
23	representing Mike Lindell and MyPillow.	23		
24	THE COURT REPORTER: Could I have		Q.	And so if you answer my question, I'll assume
25	you raise your right hand, please.	25		that you understood what I was asking. Is
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1	(Witness sworn.)	1		that okay?
2	THE COURT REPORTER: Thank you.	2		Yes, Yes.
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22 Q. Okay, Mr. Lindell. We just had a short break

We're back on the record, and I was just

explaining to you the break structure.

there. You had a malfunction of your device.

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1 writing something down. Are you on your	1 A. Yeah.
2 phone or internet or anything like that?	2 Q. You understand that?
3 A. No. I'm scratching my leg. I don't know.	3 A. Yeah. Yeah.
4 I'm just texting my I'm texting my	4 Q. And then the last kind of housekeeping item
5 company, my assistant, telling her to take my	5 is: We talked about this a little bit before
6 calls.	6 the deposition began on the record, but I
7 Q. Okay. Yeah. I was just going to say: While	7 understand you are on your on a phone
8 we're on the record today, if you could	8 today for this virtual deposition, and so we
9 please	9 will be sharing exhibits both in the chat for
10 A. And I also have a notepad. Am I allowed to	10 the purposes of the court reporter to receive
11 have a notepad?	11 a copy and we'll also be sharing the screen
12 Q. I'll ask you for what's on the notepad, but,	so that you can view the document and provide
13 yes, you can have a notepad.	13 your testimony regarding
14 A. Thanks.	14 A. Okay. That sounds good. Yeah.
15 Q. And I'll just ask that you don't be texting	15 Q. Okay. So, Mr. Lindell, what did you do to
16 or taking calls or anything like that while	16 prepare for this deposition today?
we're on the record. Do you understand?	17 A. Well, um, I got in my chair, got a cup of
18 A. Yeah. That's why I was just texting her, to	18 coffee, and here I am. I talked to my lawyer
19 say take the calls.	19 a little bit, for about 20 minutes. And
20 Q. And we can take breaks during this deposition	20 that's it.
21 if	21 Q. I'm going to have my colleague place on the
22 A. Yeah, I need a break at quarter to 12:00	22 screen what will be Exhibit 723.
23 Eastern to 12:00. That's the only break I	23 (Deposition Exhibit 723 was marked for identification.)
24 need.	24 BY MR. FREY:
25 Q. Okay. Well, if at any other point you need a	25 Q. And this is a copy of the deposition notice
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1 break, just let us know. We can go off the	1 setting up this deposition today. Take your
2 record. My only request there is that we	2 time to look at that. Have you seen this
3 don't break in the middle of a question,	3 document before?
4 right? So I ask a question and then you say,	4 A. No.
5 We need a break, let's answer the question	5 Q. And if you scroll down or my colleague
6 and then we can break. Fair?	6 will scroll down to page 5. There is a list
7 A. Yeah. Yeah.	7 of topics.
8 Q. And the last thing I'll just tell you is: I	8 A. Yep.
9 understand you need a break at quarter to	9 Q. Have you reviewed any documents that
10 12:00 Eastern. I usually take five minutes	10 contained these topics in them before?
11 every hour, hour and 15 minutes just for the	11 A. Have I reviewed it? I don't know. Not this
12 court reporter, the videographer so that	12 particular document you're handing me or
13 everyone can take a quick stretch, but we'll	13 your showing me that I see. I went over a
14 keep those short. Fair?	few of the questions my lawyer went over with
MR. FREY: He just dropped off.	me and said, Here's what they're going to be
16 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going off	16 asking you.
17 the record at 9:46 a.m.	17 Q. Okay. So you might have heard of what the
18 (A recess was taken.)	topics are, but you haven't necessarily seen
19 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on	this precise document; is that fair?
20 the record at 9:47 a.m.	20 A. No. That's fair, yeah.
21 BY MR. FREY:	21 Q. Let's just we'll take the topics, I guess,

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meet with anyone else to help prepare for

one at a time, then, as we talk through them.

24 Q. Did you -- aside from your attorney, did you

23 A. That sounds good. Okay.

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1 this deposition today?	1 wanted to come up with a solution, and it
2 A. No.	2 took about 10 10 months or almost a year
3 Q. Did you speak with any you said you didn't	3 to invent and having an adjustable pillow
4 speak with anyone.	4 that would that you could wash and dry,
5 Did you review any documents to	5 that could adjust and wouldn't go flat, and
6 prepare for this deposition today?	6 got a patent on it and yeah.
7 A. No.	7 Q. At some time at some point in time you
8 Q. Okay. So the first topic that we have here	8 incorporated the company; is that right?
9 is the founding of MyPillow, including its	9 A. At first the company did a switch. It was
10 initial strategies for reaching customers,	10 an LLC, I believe, in 2005 called Night
11 demand for its products, and its growth. Do	11 Moves, LLC, I believe, or something like
12 you see that?	12 that. That changed in, I believe it was,
13 A. Yes.	13 August of 2009 to MyPillow, Inc.
14 Q. And are you the person most knowledgeable at	14 Q. So August of 2009, would that be when you
15 MyPillow to testify to this topic?	15 incorporated the company?
16 A. Yes.	16 A. The company was incorporated. Before that it
17 Q. And do I understand from your previous	17 was an LLC. Now it became MyPillow, Inc., an
18 testimony that outside of your general	18 S Corp. I don't know if it was an S Corp.
19 knowledge, you didn't do anything in	19 before or not, I can't remember, but, yeah,
20 particular to prepare for testimony on this	20 it became its current LLC or its current
21 topic today?	21 Inc. S Corp. in the summer of two thousand
22 A. Nothing. That's correct.	22 August of 2009.
23 Q. And I'm going to take the second topic along	23 Q. Okay. And at the time it became its current

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2 A. Yes. 3 Q. And are you the person most knowledgeable at MyPillow to testify as to the ownership 4 structure of MyPillow? 5

with this topic because they're kind of

related, and that is the ownership structure

6 A. Yes.

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7 Q. And, again, just for the record, outside of your general knowledge and background, you 8 9 did not do anything in particular to prepare

10 to testify to this topic today, correct?

of MyPillow. Do you see that?

11 A. Absolutely nothing.

12 Q. All right. So talking about the founding of 13 MyPillow, you, Mr. Lindell, are the founder

14 of MyPillow, correct?

15 A. I invented it, that's correct.

Q. Invented, okay. And when did you invent

17 MyPillow?

18 A. 2004.

Q. And what was your impetus for inventing the 19 20

MyPillow company?

21 A. What was my impetus? What's the reason, you

22 mean?

23 Q. Yeah.

24 A. I had pillows that I'd bought all my life

25 that didn't work and I seen a problem and I

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Q. Do you recall how many other shareholders 3 there were at that time?

S Corp., were there any shareholders of

MyPillow other than yourself?

A. Um, I don't recall. I want to say maybe --5 maybe 20. I don't -- I don't know. That I

6 don't recall. I'd be guessing. 7 Q. Do you have a recollection as to the

8 proportion of shares that the various 9

shareholders held?

10 A. Um, at that time -- I know there was a time 11 when I -- when I held 30-some or 40-some

12 percent, I think, 40-some percent. And now

13 you bring it up to current, I hold fifty -- I

14 think 54 percent and there's currently maybe

15 upwards of 50 to 100 stockholders. They're

16 all employees -- most of them are employees.

17 It's an employee-owned company.

18 Q. So you anticipated my next question I was

19 going to ask, if you have added stockholders

20 over the years. It sounds like the answer is

21 yes --

22 A. Yes. Yep. Yeah.

23 Q. -- that has occurred and that --

24 A. We give our employees incentives. If they 25 stay long, then they get their stock, that

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1	they become stockholders and stuff like that.	1	know I know there was Jim Furlong on
2	Q. And you said at some point in time your level	2	there, he was president of the board, I
_	of stock increased and now it's at 54	3	think.
4	percent; is that right?	4	So I'm for sure CEO and I'm the
	A. Right. I used to be a lot higher at one	5	majority shareholder. And if we have that
6	time. It was in the 80, 90 percent, I guess.	6	title chairman, then I'm that, too.
7	But now when we now from it's	7	Q. All right. So in your positions as at
8	fluctuated over time, but then there was a	8	least majority shareholder and CEO, and if
~	clause made where it wouldn't fall below	9	you have the title chairman of the board,
10	51 percent.	10	then that position
	I think it's in our bylaws where I	11	A. Yep.
12	don't fall below that, because we had stuff	12	Q is it fair to say that you control
14	that happened in 2009 and '10 where these	13 14	MyPillow, Inc.?
15	people tried to take the company and so the		A. As far as what? Day-to-day? Yeah, I
16	board put in bylaws where I couldn't go below	15 16	would I control, um, as far as day-to-day
17	51 anymore.  Q. Okay. Okay. So it's mandated in the bylaws	17	and you know, we make decisions, but I
18	that you are the majority shareholder of	18	guess the final decision would probably be
19	MyPillow?	19	mine on a day-to-day basis.
20	A. Correct.	20	There's decisions made every day, though, that I'm not aware of that I have
21	Q. And that has been since at least so from	21	given my employees. We have long-term
22	around the 2010 time frame?	22	employees that I trust.
23	A. No. There was it was later than that when	23	So if you are I don't know what
24	it got mandated that I I think it was	24	kind of decisions you're talking about.
25	later than that. Um, I don't know the exact	25	Q. So first let's talk about strategies,
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1	Page 18	1	Page 20 strategic decisions about the direction of
1	timing on it. Um, I think we had a big thing	2	_
2	in 2014. That might have been when it was	_	the company. Do you exercise control over

was president of the board, I m for sure CEO and I'm the nareholder. And if we have that nan, then I'm that, too. So in your positions as -- at rity shareholder and CEO, and if the title chairman of the board, position -r to say that you control Inc.? what? Day-to-day? Yeah, I control, um, as far as day-to-day know, we make decisions, but I final decision would probably be day-to-day basis. ere's decisions made every day, at I'm not aware of that I have employees. We have long-term s that I trust. if you are -- I don't know what cisions you're talking about. et's talk about strategies, Page 20 isions about the direction of y. Do you exercise control over those decisions? A. That's a group. We talk about it. And it's just like any other CEO. I guess I would make the final call after taking input from everybody, and that includes my board when we have -- it includes the board. But on a day-to-day thing, every day we deal with the department, we take in all the info, and we come to a decision. And does it ultimately end up being mine? Yes. 13 Q. And how about on the kind of marketing strategy for MyPillow, is that a similar setup as to what you just described? 16 A. Yeah, the marketing strategy was -- when you talk about -- I mean, that goes back to 2010 and '11 when we first did print and we learned to track each individual show or commercial by promo code so we would be able to track individual -- individual -- it kind of manifested the problems we had in 2012 when other people were making those

11 presidential election; is that right? 12 A. Of the board of directors? Yes. I guess I would be chairman. I don't know. We have --13 14 when you talk the board, I was the CEO of the 15 company. As far as the board of directors, I 16 guess I would be the chairman, too. I'd have 17 to look at that. 18 Q. Do you understand if you're -- do you 19 understand whether you're still the chairman, 20 CEO, and majority shareholder --21 A. I'm --

mandated, because we had these guys try to

Q. So in -- by the time of the 2020 US election,

were you the majority shareholder at that

9 Q. And you were also the chairman of the board

of directors at the time of the 2020

take the company.

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22 Q. -- of MyPillow today? 23 A. Yes. Yes. I don't know about the title 24 chairman, though, but, yeah, I guess I would

25 be -- I don't know if we had that title. I

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Page 21 made those decisions, outside companies. We 1 2 had a lot of internal where I trusted people 3 to make those decisions.

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And then everything that came out of 2012, I completely changed our marketing strategy where every -- every single -whether it's a commercial in the middle of the night on CNN or one on Fox or it's a newspaper in Dubuque, Iowa, or it's a radio show, every one of them is tracked individually on a promo code.

Like what if you only had to live off that show, you would want to make it the best you could be. And if it doesn't make its number, you don't run it.

So all that strategy was developed, and I believe we were one of the few companies that do that strategy, but it was, um -- it was something, I guess, that myself and -- mostly myself came up with that, yes, in 2010 and '11, coming out of 2012 when all the problems we had and then I took it all

24 Q. Okay. So -- and then ultimately do you still 25 retain kind of control over the

fine, everything is running smooth. If they see something that's out of whack, whether it's good or bad, that's what gets reported immediately and then we will spend -- we'll dig into it. You need a different input to get a different output.

And -- but they will bring that -somewhat of micromanaging and macromanaging at the same time, but I can sit for days and not have to worry about anything because if I don't get that call for a deviation, then I know everything is running smoothly.

And that's one thing that my -every single one of my employees, 500 of them, have my direct number. They will call me if there is a deviation, whether it's people there is a problem with, and then -you know, if something is wrong on the production line, they will call -- you know, they'll reach out. If I don't get a call, everything is beautiful, so...

22 Q. Okay. And, Mr. Lindell, I appreciate that. With respect to the deviations in the marketing direction, who is the person that's responsible to report that to you?

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decision-making with respect to that -maintaining that marketing strategy?

3 A. Yeah, there's been -- there's things put in place. You know, every day I look at every single -- every single promo code that's out there, and if something does bad or good, it's brought up as a deviation.

> But I have different people that look at that in different departments and they report deviations or blocks to me. Usually they can -- a lot of it's already handled because we've -- these people, they know our system.

And they -- now, if something -- if a deviation comes up that something is bad or good, that will be brought to me, but usually she's -- this person or this department already has it. They bring it to me and then we talk about it, what's the best way to get through it or what -- I'll give them direction, you know, this has to be, um, dug into.

And we get -- that's -- you know, my whole company runs off deviations and blocks. So if a department -- they'll run

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A. All the employees. That's why I say 500 of my employees have my direct number. So they

will -- they will -- like let's say it's --

4 I'll give an example. So --

5 Q. Mr. --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

7 A. Okay. It could be -- I'll just give you an 8 example. So let's say it's on a production 9 line and this person is on the line and they 10 feel that the pillows aren't the weights 11 they're supposed to be or maybe their 12 employee came in and he's acting differently.

> I'll get the call and they'll say -- you know, let's say it's an employee. I'll say, You know what? We find out maybe they're using. So then we'll take them out. I'll say, You know what? I'll talk to them. We usually get them into treatment, get them help and, you know, we'll act on that deviation.

> If it's a pillow in that line that it was weighed wrong, they'll call me. I'll call the manager up and say, Hey, we have a report that this is going wrong. And it corrects itself then because then the

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1 manager -- they might not have heard about it 2 or -- it's kind of like everybody managing 3 that are -- you have everybody's eyes on it. 4 Q. I appreciate that, Mr. Lindell. Right now I 5 just wanted to focus more on the marketing 6 and the promo code deviations than anything 7 with other employee issues or production. 8 A. The promo code -- the promo code deviations, 9 there's -- many people will look at that now 10 in each department, whether it's emails -- we 11 have email marketing. We have text marketing. We have radio. We have podcasts. 12 13 We have everything we've been doing since 14 15 So I'll get a -- if I get a -- I'll 16 look at all of them on my device. I'll look 17 at all the promo codes and I'll say, Wow, 18 this -- this commercial in the middle of the 19 night on ABC, it usually does 3,000 and it 20

> Well, it's the power of numbers, so I'll say -- I'll look into it. I'll call up whosever department that is and say, Hey, check and see what happened on the ABC commercial, or let's say it was a podcast or

Page 27 stable that's on there that you put money into, like, let's say, a billboard, those numbers don't -- if there is a deviation there, it would be pretty much impossible because it's the same every day.

The only time those changed was right when the virus came where everybody is -- their paradigm changed, where radio just dropped altogether.

10 Q. Mr. Lindell, sorry to interrupt you there, but if you could try to just -- my questions are pretty cabined, and I feel like you're kind of giving me a long explanation and then getting into a train of thought.

> So if you could try to just, you know, answer the questions, we'll be able to get through this today a lot -- a lot speedier.

I was just -- my question was really just what department would that be that tracks that --

22 A. There's many -- well, there's many -- and I 23 tried to give you the answer. There's many 24 departments.

I have my son as the COO. He will

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let's say it was a print, a newspaper.

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2 Something happened that changed, 3 and every time you have to dig in. So I'll 4 call that department or that department will 5 take care of it themselves because it could

6 be something simple. 7 But usually -- like let's say all

8 the numbers would be down. So let's say all

9 the numbers would be down for a whole day,

10 which happened last week. We had a whole day

where it was just a drop across the board. 11

12 Well, we knew what it was. It was the DNC

13 Convention, the Democrat Convention.

14 When that happened, the numbers 15 went down because commercials were preempted,

16 it's called, so they don't run on your CNNs,

17 your Foxes, your ABC. They ran stuff

18 commercial-free.

19 And so it can be a national thing 20 that affects something. It could be an 21 individual thing. It could be that a host

22 didn't do their read correctly for MyPillow. 23 It could be -- you know, if it's a

24 billboard, it could be then, you know --25 usually it wouldn't be -- something that's

look at -- he will look at numbers at the

factory. He will look at different numbers

3 there that affect -- it could be -- companies

we deal with.

5 Like let's say it's, oh, AMAC or --I mean, some companies that we advertise with and watch their numbers if they go up and down based on their promo codes, AMAC or it's an insurance company that we -- whatever it

10 is.

11 Another department is this gal 12 deals with podcasters. Another department deals with -- the promo codes run everything. So everything is tracked on every single 15 department.

16 So you have another guy that 17 tracks -- Nick that tracks the emails. I 18 have another guy that tracks text marketing.

19 Another one tracks social media marketing,

20 so... The one gal, she'll look and she'll

21 say, Hey, we only did this. Another one

22 tracks Google and Facebook. They are all

23 tracked by promo codes.

24 You're asking me a question --25 every department is run that way. It's been

19 Like if we send out fliers with their --

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20 inside the packaging. Let's say there is

packaging and you get a little catalog that's

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Page 31 Page 29 since 2010. So -- and we just manifested, 1 codes. So --2 2 took it all in-house. (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 3 3 It's like people that market --A. Every department it has to do with marketing. 4 4 when you brand -- I've never branded, so I Every single thing that goes out to things. 5 don't put a thing out there. MyPillow? No. 5 We don't brand. We don't brand. 6 Everything is what if you only could live on 6 We don't just buy an ad that says, 7 this exact -- like right now, here's an 7 "MyPillow." We track it with promo codes so 8 example: 8 we find out if it's successful or not. 9 9 People that -- that's why people So the promo codes at the Minnesota 10 10 State Fair were doing very, very bad. If you think -- I've never branded. I don't have 11 didn't know the variable that came in -- we 11 money to brand. We never branded. We run 12 moved locations. We're down 70 percent 12 our company differently because you want to 13 because of the location move. 13 know if your -- if it's working or not. This 14 And when I -- when the numbers 14 goes back to when I first did print in 2010. MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike --15 first came in, it was reported to me by that 15 16 department. I'm going: This is terrible. I 16 A. I--17 made a very bad decision moving it from one 17 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 18 location to another at the Fair. 18 MR. KACHOUROFF: Just listen to 19 So let's say it would be -- this 19 this: Answer his question specifically. 20 happened last week with email marketing. 20 You're giving a lot of volunteer information, 21 That department called me up and said -- and 21 which I'm sure he appreciates, but let him 22 he said, Hey, we've got a -- this -- these 22 get what he needs to get out. 23 three emails did not work. They didn't hit 23 THE WITNESS: He asked the 24 their number. They're lower than normal. So 24 departments. I'm trying to explain why it's 25 we look at what was the offer, what was 25 every department. It's not just, oh, this is Page 30 Page 32 1 the -- you know, I mean, you've got to change the promo code department. the offer. On any given thing, you either --2 I run my whole company like this, because I want to know if every -- I want to 3 you have to change the input. 3 4 If it's good, if we hear something know every show -- by the way, when I did --5 that's good, we'll duplicate that. Let's say 5 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 6 it was a podcaster that did good. We'll find 6 MR. KACHOUROFF: Whoa. Wait, wait, 7 7 out, well, what was the read, what was the wait. Mike, that's the answer, every 8 offer he did for MyPillow, and then we would 8 department --9 pass that out or duplicate it. If it's bad, 9 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 10 THE WITNESS: No. I want to finish 10 obviously we want to find out why it 11 happened. Did he even do a read? this part -- I want to finish this part, 11 12 So it's all different departments 12 Chris. 13 MR. KACHOUROFF: Okay. 13 that run off those -- those deviations and THE WITNESS: So with the -- even 14 those promo codes, every department. Every 14 15 when I -- all I had was shows and fairs, I 15 department there is marketing. Every 16 marketing department runs off that. 16 had over a hundred people on the ground working all across the country before they 17 Even -- even the few box stores we were cancelled, but all across the country 18 have left, you know, we'll do promo codes. 18

22 in there. That's also promo code tracked. 22 success or not. So every flyer we send out, 23 And otherwise, if people don't do 24 that, their marketing is not good and that's 24 every -- we do direct mailing. That's 25 another department. So that's ran off promo 25 why -- that's why I believe we have some of

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and every single show was tracked by a promo

code and their own 1-800 number, by the way,

so that you could find out if that show was a

19 A. Okay. Yep.

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20 Q. And do you recognize this document?

currently governs the rights and

25 A. I would say it probably is, yes. Yep.

Q. And is this the shareholder agreement that

responsibilities of MyPillow shareholders?

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1	the best marketing strategy ever.		
2	BY MR. FREY:	1	Q. And my colleague is going down to page 14
	O. Okay. All right. So there's no kind of	2	here. You see there is a signature block for
4	rolled-up chief of marketing or person who	3	you?
5	oversees all of that? That's you? You kind	4	A. Uh-huh.
6	of oversee that?	5	Q. The one we received isn't executed. Have you
	. That's me. That's me. If they call if	6	executed this document?
8	there's a deviation. That's what I look at	7	A. I have no idea.
9	every day. It's like seeing if everybody is	8	Q. Do you or does MyPillow ask shareholders of
10	batting 300. That's think of it like	9	the company to execute this document?
11	that, like a ball team. If they're not	10	A. Which (reading indiscernibly). I don't
12	batting 300, you find out why and you want to	11	know.
13	check into it. If they are batting 400, man,	12	. , ,
14	you want to duplicate that. It's pretty	13	govern the rights and responsibilities of
15	simple.	14	MyPillow shareholders?
16 (	Q. Okay. Going back to kind of the powers and	15	A. I I don't know. That's handled by our
17	responsibilities you have at MyPillow, are	16	lawyer.
18	there does anyone at the company or on the	17	Q. And is that the MyPillow in-house attorney?
19	board have the ability or the authority to	18	A. Yes.
20	remove you either as CEO or from your board	19	Q. Who would that be?
21	position?	20	A. Right now I believe it's Doug Wardlow. I
22 A	A. On the board? No. The board of directors,	21	also have Jeremiah Pilon, but I think it's
23	they can they put in their input. They	22	I think it's either one of them. That
24	can put in their input and they you know,	23	department does that. We've had back in
25	they can say we believe this is the wrong	24	the past, you go back here, it would have
	Page 34	25	been Joe Springer, I believe, back then.
1	strategy or this if they want to; or if on	1	We've had different in-house attorneys.
2	a day-to-day basis I have, um, people like my	2	Q. I'm looking at page 10 here, provision 5.2,
3	son, you know, would push back or they'll	3	and if you see, it says, "For as long as
4	say, hey, we think this is wrong and we	4	Lindell is alive, has not resigned from the
5	discuss it and then we come out with an	5	board of directors, and is not incapacitated,
6	answer. But they don't have the ability to	6	Lindell shall be a director on the board of
7	remove me, no.	7	directors of that corporation. Each
8 0	Q. And I'm going to put up or my colleague is	8	shareholder agrees to vote his or her shares
9	going to put up on the screen what will be	9	of the corporation to ensure that Lindell
10	Exhibit 724.	10	will be elected as a director on the board of
11 (I	Deposition Exhibit 724 was marked for identification.)	11	directors of the corporation for so long as
12	MR. FREY: And this is for the	12	Lindell is alive, has not resigned from the
13	record, this is Bates labeled DEF081370 and	13	board of directors of the corporation, and is
14	it's titled the Amended and Restated Buy and	14	not incapacitated."
15	Sell Shareholder Control Agreement of	15	Do you see that?
16	MyPillow, Inc.	16	A. Yep.
17	BY MR. FREY:	17	Q. And is it your understanding that the
18 (	Q. Do you see that?	18	shareholders must comply with this provision?

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would protect us from that ever happening

and this was after we had gotten through,

call it, a hostile takeover of MyPillow back

in the day and he put in provisions that

say, our in-house attorney named Joe Springer

19 A. I have no idea. That was put in by, like I

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1	So I don't know. I'm not a lawyer.
2	But this was I know this was set up if
3	it's 2020, it was set up by Joe Springer,
4	Joseph Springer.
5	Q. Is it your understanding that for as long as
6	you are willing to do so and MyPillow is
7	incorporated, that you will assuredly be a
8	director on the board of directors?

- 9 A. Yeah. I don't want to leave the employees 10 that are there stranded. That's exactly 11 right. Yeah.
- 12 Q. And you just don't know one way or the other whether that's a requirement of -- for the 13 14 shareholders who sign this document?
- 15 A. I have no idea. The shareholders are given -- basically, I think it's a working 16 17 stock where they're given -- I have no idea. 18 I'm not a lawyer.
- 19 Q. And you didn't -- you didn't speak with 20 anyone in advance of this deposition to 21 understand how the shareholder agreement 22 works?
- 23 A. No. No. This was done back then. This was 24 done in 2020, it looks like you're showing 25 me.

Page 39 has not resigned as an officer in the corporation, and is not incapacitated."

- 3 Do you see that? 4 A. That's correct. Yep. Yep.
- 5 Q. And do you understand that the shareholders 6 of MyPillow who are directors must comply 7 with this provision, that you're voted to be 8 CEO and chairman of the board?
- 9 A. Right. Right. We're a private -- a private 10 company, and all these people were given --11 given stock for being employees. So it's a 12 bonus to them.

So, yes, we did not -- the stuff that Joe Springer put in, yes, they would -they're more than happy to get their free stock and comply with this because this is the -- this is what we put in, some of these safeguards, so that they -- that someone couldn't come in and take it from all my employees and take it another direction that we didn't want to go.

- 22 Q. And do the shareholders of MyPillow receive 23 corporate distributions from the company?
- 24 A. Yes, they used to, but now we've been --25 since we've been decimated with -- they

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1 haven't had one in a long time.

> 2 Q. And --

A. Since all this -- since all this stuff 3 happened with the election stuff, they --4

5 we've lost hundreds of millions of dollars. 6

so there has been no distributions.

- 7 Q. When was the last distribution that was made 8 to the shareholders?
- A. I believe probably in 2020. I'm not sure 10 about that. It's been a long time since --11 since all the box stores cancelled in January 12 of '21 and we lost hundreds of millions right 13 when all this started happening in January of 14 '21.

That was probably -- the last distribution was in 2020, but I'd have it check on that. I'm not sure. It could've been early '21, but I think it was 2020, because when we started losing all of our money, that was the beginning of '21.

21 Q. And we'll look at some financial documents in 22 a little bit. I'm just trying to get a 23 general sense right now. 24

When distributions are made, is it kind of divided pro-rata by the number of

I know there was a lot of protections put in because the -- they did not -- none of the shareholders and none of my people wanted ever this to happen again to us, where they tried to take MyPillow from us, so they -- all these were put in by Joe Springer back then. I have no idea the safeguards he put in.

- 8 9 Q. Looking down at the next provision, 5.3, do 10 you see it also states that, "For as long as 11 Lindell is alive, has not resigned as an 12 officer of the corporation, and is not 13 incapacitated, Lindell shall be an officer in
- 14 the corporation holding the offices of 15 chairman of the board and chief executive
- 16 officer"?
- 17 A. Yep.

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- 18 Q. Do you see that?
- 19 A. Yep.
- 20 Q. And it goes on to say, "Each shareholder
- 21 agrees, to the extent such shareholder is a
- 22 director in the corporation, to vote to
- 23 ensure that Lindell will be elected as an
- 24 officer in the corporation in accordance with
- 25 this section for so long as Lindell is alive,

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#### MICHAEL LINDELL Smartmatic USA Corp vs Michael J. Lindell

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Page 41 1 shares owned? A. A hundred percent. We're an S Corp., so 2 3 money flows through to the stockholders. 4 So what we have to do, what our CPA 5 has to do is we have to distribute -- let's 6 say -- if you make money in a given year, you 7 can't just keep it all in inventory. You 8 have to distribute enough -- I believe it's 9 in our bylaws that the highest stockholder, 10 you have to distribute enough money to cover 11 the taxes paid. Otherwise, these people 12 would pay taxes on money that they didn't get 13 in their hand. It went into inventory. 14 That's the way LLCs and S Corps. run. 15 You have to be very careful or you 16 could upsidedown your employees, that they 17 would pay tax on money that -- and really the 18 money is sitting as profit in inventory. 19 So we've had to always be very 20

So we've had to always be very careful on that and we always -- and we have to disburse that money or people could end up paying -- it could upsidedown a small person that doesn't have money to pay taxes on the profit the company made.

So it's all equally -- whatever --

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A. Yeah, when -- when we have excess money. I don't want to keep money from -- if we made money, we disbursed it. Everybody is working hard and we would disburse it.

We -- there were times, I think, we would -- at the board we would talk about, as our company would grow, leaving this much money in the bank so that we could have working capital and then also to control our inventory, because we used to have millions of dollars in paid-for inventory and obviously the last three years it's just been decimated.

But, yeah, we would do -- we would not keep all the money in a bank account. We would disburse it to all the employees as -- but we would hold back enough so we wouldn't -- so we wouldn't -- as we grow.

We were on growth. We didn't use banks, so we don't -- so as we would grow, you would disburse enough, say, hey, we have enough here for working capital because we basically were our own bank.

Q. And who would make the decision to make thedisbursement?

Page 42 nobody gets more or less. It depends on how much -- your percentage of stock.

3 Q. Right. So it's just -- yeah, you have

1 percent of stock. Then you will get

5 1 percent of whatever the disbursement is --

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(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

8 Q. -- 10 percent, 10 percent. That's right?

9 A. That's correct. But you have to disburse
stock to cover the taxes. That's the minimum
thing.

Now, we haven't had to worry about that the last couple, three years because we've lost hundreds of millions -- or tens of millions of dollars.

So they -- so now you didn't -- there is no disburse -- you're not required to disburse anything because all the stockholders got a loss on their K-1s, they're called.

21 Q. Okay. And outside of disbursements to cover

22 taxes or distributions to cover taxes, are

there any other circumstances historically

when MyPillow would decide to make a

25 distribution to shareholders?

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A. Well, myself and then accounting. I would
 talk -- back then I had a gal that -- she's
 not with us anymore, but we would talk to
 that.

We would talk to the, um, in-house -- maybe the board. We might bring it up then, but -- not really with the board. It would usually be accounting, myself, the executives. We would talk and say, here, we can do this much.

We would have to talk to inventory.

We would talk to them. How much do we have in inventory? And he would make the decision, hey, we can make a disbursement here and -- it was kind of a group decision.

- 16 Q. Okay. So you would take -- it sounds like
  17 you would take input from a lot of different
  18 places. Ultimately, though, the decision
  19 would be yours?
- 20 A. Yeah. You can't do it -- you can't -- I'm
  21 the one that has to protect the employees, so

22 I have to -- I have to, um -- if I disburse

- too much and then we don't have working
- 24 capital, then you teeter-totter the other
  - way, you're in trouble there, that they -- so

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1	it was always a balancing act.	1	-	ou, but, yeah, we have different
2	But when we did when we it	2		lepartments. This guy is, you know, in
3	always worked. We would talk to different	3		harge of procurement. This one here is, you
4	things. We would have to weigh it with	4		now, our CIO. This is the COO. This is the
5	inventory. We would sit down and make the	5		CFO or not CFO, C yeah, we have we
6	decision and but the that would be	6		ave them, but we don't have them drawn out
7	above and beyond the tax thing we talked	7		or you or whatever.
8	about, yes.	8		So they're not they're in your head,
	Q. Okay. And, to your recollection, the last	9		hey're not in document form?
10	distribution was sometime in 2020; is that	10		That's right. Everybody knows them, I think.
11	right?	11		Down at the factory, you know who's the top
12		12		guy and then it goes down for each
13	I'm not going to say on that because I	13		department. Chief procurement officer, he's
14	know I know we as we started getting	14		got like eight people in his department. You
15	attacked and losing retailers, I don't know	15		have the overall manager of the whole of
16	if that's when it stopped.	16		the whole building, of manufacturing, and
17	I know in I know in the last	17		then you have different, um, managers under
18	couple years we've lost, I think, \$10 million	18	ŀ	him and then directors under him, stuff like
19	on the tax return both years, so I know there	19	-	that.
20	were no distributions those years.	20	Q.	I want to put up for you now what will be
21	I don't know about '21, so I don't	21		Exhibit 725.
22	know. I'm going to say I don't know. It's	22		position Exhibit 725 was marked for identification.)
23	been a long time.	23		BY MR. FREY:
24	Q. So I want to move on to the next topic on our	24		This is going to be a discovery document from
25	list here. Julie will put this back up. Do	25	t	this case, which is MyPillow's fourth
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1	you see that here in Exhibit 723 topic	1		supplemental answers and objections to
2	number 3 is MyPillow's employment of the	2	р	plaintiffs' second set of interrogatories.
3	following individuals and/or the service of	3		Have you have you seen this
4	the following individuals on the MyPillow	4		locument before?
5	board of directors, including the years of	5		Probably not. If I did, it was a long time
6	their employment, their roles and	6		igo.
7	responsibilities, and the basis for the	7		Do you understand what interrogatories are in
8	termination of their employment and/or board	8		tigation?
9	service if they are no longer employed by	9		Yeah. It's the answers.
10	MyPillow or a member of its board?" Do you	10		Right. So one party will ask various
11	see that?	11		questions and then you provide kind of like a
12	A. Yep.	12		formal response in written form, correct?
13	Q. And did you do anything to prepare yourself	13		Okay. Yeah.
14	to testify as to this topic?  A. No.	14		And so I'll represent to you that this was
15		15 16		one of those responses from MyPillow. Okay.
16 17	<ul> <li>Q. Are you do you consider yourself the person most knowledgeable at MyPillow to</li> </ul>	17		•
				And the question here on page 6 is: 'Identify all MyPillow executives and members
18	testify as to this topic?	18		identity all myrillow executives and members

supplemental answer, MyPillow identifies the
following -- the individuals listed here. Do
you see that?

of the MyPillow Board of Directors from

January 1, 2020 to the present." Okay?

22 Q. And then on the next page, in the second

25 A. No. I mean, we -- I could draw it out for 25 you see that

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21 A. Okay.

19 A. One hundred percent, yes.

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23 A. Yep.

20 Q. And so I'm not going to -- I just want to

start at a higher level first and ask if

24 Q. Does MyPillow maintain any org charts?

you're familiar with the term "org chart."

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	1 A. Yep. Yes.	1 with basically every department, kind of
	2 Q. So it identifies yourself, Michael Lindell,	2 like and he will bring me, you know,
	3 as CEO and chairman of the board	3 problems that he sees that are maybe bigger
	4 A. Yep.	4 than a day-to-day problem. He tries to solve
	5 Q right?	5 a lot of the day-to-day problems where I
	6 A. Yep.	6 don't where I don't need to be involved,
	7 Q. And is that that's correct, right?	7 so
	8 A. Yep.	8 Q. Okay. And is Darren Lindell compensated for
	9 Q. And outside of, I guess, the things we've	9 serving as the COO of MyPillow?
	10 already discussed, what do you consider your	10 A. Yeah. Yes.
	11 roles and responsibilities to be as CEO and	11 Q. And do you have an estimate as to how much
	12 chairman of the board of MyPillow?	12 he's compensated?
	13 A. Um, making a making decisions that a	13 A. I don't know. Maybe 3,000 a week. I don't
	14 normal CEO would make, I guess. You're	14 know. I don't know.
	15 overseeing the whole company, each	15 Q. The next individual listed here is Jim
	department, and I don't know. That's	16 Furlong, president/board member. Do you see
	17 making decisions to make the that the	17 that?
	18 company will for each each you're	18 A. Yep.
	basically for me, it's a little bit of	19 Q. And is Mr. Furlong is no longer president,
	20 micromanaging and then the macromanaging	20 correct?
	21 overall. I've got good people working for me	
	22 now. Like I say, we run it off deviations 23 and blocks.	22 Q. When he was when he was president, what
	24 Q. And are you compensated in W-2 wages for your	23 were Mr. Furlong's responsibilities?
	25 services, CEO of MyPillow?	r 24 A. He was mostly running our show department, 25 helping with our show department, and our
	25 Services, CLO of Myr IIIOW:	25 Helping with our show department, and our
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	1 A. Yeah. Yes.	1 show department that which was, like I
	2 Q. How much are you compensated?	2 said before, 95 to 100 individuals that did
	3 A. Um, I don't to be honest with you, I don't	3 home shows and fairs across the country,
	4 know. I know it went up because they put a	4 including Costco shows, and it was
	5 keyman insurance policy if something happened	
	6 to me and that got added in there.	6 department. He actually did shows himself,
	7 So I don't know. It could be I	7 too, and he but that all went away when we
	8 want to say 30,000 a week, maybe 20,000. I	8 got cancelled in January of '21.
	9 don't know. The short answer is I don't	9 Q. And was Mr. Furlong compensated through W-2
	10 know.	10 wages for serving as the president of
	11 Q. Okay. But maybe 20 to 30 thousand a week?	11 MyPillow?
	12 A. Right.	12 A. Yeah. I think it was 1,500 or 2,000 a week.
	13 Q. And the next person listed here is Darren	13 Q. The next person listed here is Brad Carlson,
	14 Lindell as COO, which is chief operating	14 chief business development officer. Do you
	15 officer, correct?	15 see that?
	, and the second	
J	16 A. Correct. Correct.	16 A. Yep.
	<ul><li>16 A. Correct. Correct.</li><li>17 Q. And what are Darren Lindell's</li></ul>	17 Q. And is Mr. Carlson the chief business
	<ul><li>16 A. Correct. Correct.</li><li>17 Q. And what are Darren Lindell's</li><li>18 responsibilities as the COO of MyPillow?</li></ul>	<ul><li>17 Q. And is Mr. Carlson the chief business</li><li>18 development officer today?</li></ul>
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1	So Brad Carlson got let go earlier	1 m	ore you know, we were we were busier
2	this year. We just didn't have work for him	2 th	en, so she was it was almost every week
3	because of the cancellations by all the	3 th	at we you know, she was doing stuff all
4	retailers in January of '21.	4 th	e time. It was mostly with the
5	Q. And what was Mr. Carlson's what were his	5 cc	ommercials, but there was a lot more.
6	responsibilities when he was chief business	6	And before we got before we lost
7	development officer?	7 al	I our business starting in January of '21,
8	A. He just worked just working with	8 sh	ne just she's another one that we just
9	retailers. Almost 99 percent of his job was	9 lo	st. Her role was the same. It just got
10	working with different retailers, from	10 d	liminished because of the attacks on MyPillow
11	Wal-Mart, to Costco, to Bed Bath & Beyond,	11 a	and all the business that's been lost.
12	different ones, trying to get we would	12 Q.	The next person listed is Todd Carter, board
13	get we had every box store, I guess, and	13 n	nember. Do you see that?
14	once you bring in new products, you do	14 A.	Yep.
15	different things. That's what Brad did.	15 Q.	And is it is Mr. Carter also MyPillow's
16	Q. The next person	16 c	hief technology officer?
17	A. We tried we tried to keep him on as long	17 A.	He's the CTO, yep. Yep.
18	as we could, but it was that's one of the	18 Q.	Okay. And is was he the CTO kind of from
19	sad parts of all this.	19 th	ne time period 2020 through present?
20	Go ahead.	20 A.	I don't know if he had that title, but, yeah,
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21 Q. Okay. The next person listed is Jessica 22 Maskovich as chief marketing officer and 23 board member. Do you see that?

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Q. Is Ms. Maskovich MyPillow's chief marketing

25 Q. So in addition to, you know, maintaining the Page 56

he's -- yeah, he's the technology on --

technology, so if a website breaks or

whatever, you know, stuff like that, you

A. Yeah, that's her title, I guess. Yep. 3 Q. What are Ms. Maskovich's responsibilities as

4 chief marketing officer?

5 A. All she does right now is when we need a

officer today?

6 commercial made, she makes the commercials 7 and she -- she's basically -- if I have a 8 commercial to be made, she'll put it together 9 and then she's only paid for the time she 10 puts in. She -- that's her salary.

> It's not a salary. It's an hourly wage when we do have a commercial that needs to be made, which is maybe -- right now maybe once every two months or three months. It takes about a week or two weeks for her to put it together.

17 Q. And was Ms. Maskovich also the chief marketing officer back in the 2020-2021 time 18 19 period?

20 A. Yes. She had more responsibilities then 21 because we lost all our business since then.

22 Q. Right. So I was going to ask: What were her

23 responsibilities in, you know, 2021?

24 A. We would make more commercials. She would 25 do -- we had more mailers going out. We had

1 website or troubleshooting the website, does 2 Mr. Carter have any other responsibilities as

3 the chief technology officer of MyPillow? 4 A. No. Website, the technology. So if we

5 have -- we have another system called 6 Annaware. If anything is down, I mean,

7 he's -- there's things that I don't

8 understand. You've got like rack space and

9 all these different companies that are -- the

10 tech companies, he has to deal with them. If 11 there's problems, he is a troubleshooter, I

12 guess, and he will get the right people on

13 it. Mostly our -- it's mostly our big

14 engine, the website and the call center.

15 Q. The next person listed is Jennifer Duneman.

16 She's listed is a board member; is that 17 right? Duneman?

18 A. Yep. Yep.

19 Q. And is Ms. Duneman still a board member 20 today?

21 A. She's a board member, but she doesn't work 22 for the company. She lost her job, too,

23 because of the 2021 -- January of '21 when

24 they took away all the shows. She was in

25 that department, too, in the show department.

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1		She was one that lost her job back then.	1	Springer left.	
2	Q.	And when you say "the show department," is	2	And Joe so we lost him, too,	
3		that kind of like the live demo shows or are	3	because of the he was afraid I think he	
4		you talking about	4	was afraid MyPillow was going to go under	
5	A.	I'm talking about state fairs.	5	because of all the attacks in January of '21.	
6		Costco alone when Costco	6	And he was also a stockholder, Joe Springer,	
7		cancelled us, Costco alone was we had	7	and he wanted out, you know.	
8		shows every show you do like an 11-day	8	Q. Did Mr. Springer share with you the reasons	
9		show. You bring your products there.	9	why he why he left?	
10		Like a state fair, if you've ever	10	A. Um, no, but he did with other people. He	
11		been to a booth at a state fair or a home and	11	you know, I think he did with other people.	
12		garden show, we were we had a massive	12	He just didn't think he thought MyPillow	
13		every state every fair that went on in	13	was going to go under. He was very afraid of	
14		every state, every county fair; home shows.	14	going under, and I don't think he wanted to	
15		Like I said, Costco, you would go	15		
16		there and you would be there for 11 days	16	•	
17		selling MyPillows and physically selling them	17		
18		at the booth.	18	-	
19		And that's what she she managed	19	· ·	
20		that department and, um, that all went away	20		
21		when Costco did their cancellation. That was	21	•	
22		kind of the last we couldn't so a lot	22	·	
23		of people that lost their jobs. She was one	23		
24		of them.	24	<u> </u>	
25	Q.	. And then Doug Wardlow, board member. Do you	25	· · ·	
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1		see that?	1	people as well. Did other people resign from	
2	Α.	Yep.	2	MyPillow in the early part of 2021?	
3		. Is he also MyPillow's general counsel, did	3	A. No. Nobody nobody quit other than	
4		you say?	4	other than Joe that I know of. A board	
5	Α.	Yes. One of them. One of them, correct.	5	member left, a guy named I've got to think	
6		Yep.	6	of his name. Bob Roepke left our board in	
7	Q.	. What are Mr. Wardlow's responsibilities as	7	January '21. That's the only ones I know of.	
8		general counsel?	8	Q. And why did Mr. Roepke resign from the board?	
9	Α.	Trying to manage any any law things that	9	A. You'd have to ask him. I don't know. I	
10		come in, such as this thing we're on the	10	believe he he was my mayor. I grew up in	
11		phone with. He hears about this stuff. I	11	the same town with him. I've known him all	
12		mean such that we're on this deposition	12	my life.	
13		for. Anything that would come in as any	13	So I'm I think he was afraid of	
14		legal things. What a general counsel does.	14	the attacks on MyPillow. That's what I	
15		You know, you run contracts by. Used to be	15	believe. He didn't want to be because	
16		pretty easy when you just run by retailers;	16	MyPillow was just getting attacked and	
17		here is a contract for a retailer or	17	cancelled and everything then in January '21,	
18		whatever. Or if there would be any law	18	and I think he didn't want any part of it.	
19		issues that come up. Just what a normal	19	He just felt bad for the company, but	
20		counsel would do, I guess.	20	and you know, you'd have to ask Bob.	

21 Q. And was he also the general counsel in the 21 Q. Did he ever --

2020 through 2022 time period?

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23 A. No. That was Joe Springer in 2020. Joe

Springer left us going into '21. With

everything that was going on in '21, Joe

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

22 A. You guys --

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1	to him since. I didn't I don't know. I	1	3,
2	didn't talk to him back then about why he	2	-1
3	left.	3	
	Q. The other individuals listed here are Thom	4	
5	Clapp, a board member. Do you see that?	5	
_	A. Yes.	6	,
7	Q. Does Mr. Clapp also serve as an officer of	7	
8	the company or is he just a board member?	8	, , <b>,</b> , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
9	A. No. He has lost his job, too. He's gone.	9	forget the name. Um, um, controller. We had
10	He's gone.	10	a controller back then. He's no longer with
11	Q. What was	11	us, a controller. We've had different ones.
12	A. He lost his job.	12	We had I forget what Mark's last
13	Q. What was his position?	13	name was. He was our controller back then.
14	A. He was he was basically working in	14	He left, like I say, when we started losing
15	philanthropy part about MyPillow. Like if	15	millions of dollars. He left for another
16	people called every day and they wanted help	16	company. I don't know if he left out of fear
17	like in shelters or whatever, he would sort	17	that we wouldn't be around, he wouldn't have
18	through them. He would help with people	18	3 a job.
19	in you know, that maybe are anybody	19	And then we got another person.
20	that needed help out there, if there were	20	He's gone. We've had four different
21	hurricane victims or whatever, Thom that	21	controllers since four or five since 2020,
22	was Thom's department.	22	since all this happened in January of '21.
23	And we were attacked so much that	23	3 Q. Do you have a current so there is no
24	we we didn't have we didn't have the	24	4 current controller?
25	resource to give. I think the last time we	25	5 A. No. No. We we can't afford to hire
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1	gave stuff was in September of '22 when we	1	, 3
2	gave all the pillows to the hurricane victims	2	, , ,
3	in Florida. That's the last time MyPillow	3	
4	even had the resources to be able to do	4	
5	anything.	5	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
6	So Thom didn't have really much to	6	the document on the screen.
7	do anymore and I didn't he didn't really	7	- 1
8	want to be around saying no to everybody,	8	
9	sorry, we can't do it because we've been	9	
10	attacked so bad and we don't have the	10	•
11	resources to do it anymore.	11	. 5 .
12	THE WITNESS: You guys, I've got to	12	,
13	take that break. You guys, I've got to take	13	•
14	that break now, if I could.	14	11
15	(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)	15	•
16	MR. FREY: Yes, absolutely.	16	· ·
17	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going off	17	,
18	the record at 10:46 a.m.	18	
19	(A recess was taken.)	19	
20	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on	20	· ·
21	the record at 11:02 a.m.	21	• • •
22	BY MR. FREY:	22	communications with the board, monitors

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23 Q. Okay, Mr. Lindell. We just took a little

break, but we're back on and we were talking

about the officers of MyPillow, looking at

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company performance, and manages all aspects

of the company and its operations."

Do you see that?

22 A. No, we didn't sponsor that. We bought an ad

on a bus. That was an ad on a bus, and

whoever did -- I wasn't even part of the

designing of the ad. That was an ad on a

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1		Uh-huh. Yes.	1	bus, like a billboard.
2		Is that response accurate?	2	That was the one you're talking
3		Um, I guess, yeah.	3	about was I believe that was we paid, I
4	Q.	And does that description also accurately	4	think, 50 grand up till December of '14
5		reflect what your roles and responsibilities	5	December 14th of 2020 and it was an ad on a
6	_	were in late 2020 and in 2021?	6	bus that went across the country, I guess.
		Yes.	7	And just like any other ads we
8	Q.	So this says, right, that you manage and	8	bought, that was a that was 50,000. It
9		direct MyPillow's marketing?	9	was a bus and that we did not re-up that
10		Yes.	10	because it did not produce an ROI. The sales
11	Q.	And so if MyPillow decided to advertise on a	11	were very dismal compared to other things we
12		particular platform or in a particular	12	did with billboards.
13		manner, it was your decision to place those	13	And ads on we've done ads before
14		advertisements or such advertisements?	14	on trucks and trailers, all kinds of stuff,
15	Α.	Not necessarily. There's different	15	semis that we bought ads on. So that was
16		departments that would do it and they would	16	very similar, but that one did not produce
17		bring it before me. I'd say go ahead. I	17	the sales it should have.
18		mean, that's um, you know, I guess they're	18	Q. And would you be able to track the sales that
19		out there recruiting. Like I say, we have	19	related to that advertisement on the bus?
20		recruiting for different ads and people call	20	A. If there was a promo code on there, which
21		us and want to advertise and they would run	21	there should have been. If then yeah, but
22		it by me, I guess, for the majority if it's,	22	I don't I know it wasn't performing
23	_	you know that's a yes.	23	because we didn't up. I remember they wanted
24		Similarly, if	24	us to re-up the ad for another two months or
25	Α.	You're talking about you're talking	25	another month at least or something, and I
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1		about you're talking about two months that	1	and the decision was made brought it to me
2		were anomalies in history where I was very	2	and I said, Absolutely not. I said, I will
3		much distracted. So if there was any	3 4	not I'm not going to you know, that's
4		there might have been other decisions made		branding and it didn't pay, so I did not
5		then that I didn't hear about, but for the	5 6	re-up it.
6		most part, I would probably hear about them.  How about sponsorship of events? If MyPillow	_	Q. And, again, that's A. I told them I told them not
8	Q.	sponsors a particular event, do you give	8	to re-up it. You know, it's just like any
9		approval to that sponsorship?	9	other ad they would call me on. I would say,
10	Α.	··	10	No, it's not worth the money. We couldn't
11	Λ.	unless it's a charity or whatever or if it	11	maybe either the sales were low or it just
12		would be like a it would have to be	12	didn't pay. That's all.
13		advertising. When you're talking about	13	Q. Would you consider yourself the primary
14		advertising, if you're talking about, um	14	spokesperson for MyPillow?
15		what are you talking about, sponsorship or	15	A. Um, the spokes the primary spokesperson?
16		advertising? Which? Will you specify what	16	I don't know what you mean by that. I'm in
17		you're saying?	17	the commercials. I'm in the commercials, you
18	Ω	Sure. Sponsoring an event would an	18	know. I guess I'm the brand. I can be the
19	٠.	example, I guess, would be the March for	19	brand. I'm in the commercials. I'm in all
20		Trump tour, right, that MyPillow sponsored	20	the commercials made. We made a few, I
21		in	21	guess, without me in there, but for the most
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part, yeah, I'm in the commercials. I

had -- we've had, um --

don't -- I don't -- if I do a read on a show,

yes, I'm usually the one that does it. We've

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Page 69 1 Q. Who -- have you had -- have any other 1 2 MyPillow employees, officers, board members 2 3 3 ever done, you know, public promotions or a faith-based company with Jesus Christ. 4 advertisements on behalf of MyPillow? 4 5 A. Not -- not board members, but I have people 5 doing commercials. They have -- we've had 6 6 7 7 different people doing commercials for show talking about MyPillow. 8 MyPillow and we've had -- absolutely. But 8 9 not board members, I guess, that I know of. 9 10 10 Well, I take that back. I guess 11 Jim Furlong, and I think they might have 11 12 been -- or Thom Clapp, I think, was in one. 12 13 Different people have done, I guess, 13 14 different spots in commercials or -- Jim --14 15 you know, when you have shows, you have many, 15 16 many spokesmen because they are the talk --16 they're the salesman, they're the spokesmen 17 17 18 for MyPillow. 18 19 So we probably had upwards of a 19 20 hundred people, I guess, maybe more, that 20 21 21 have been, when you talk about it like that, 22 that are a spokesman for MyPillow, a 22 23 representative at all the shows. 23 24 24 We've done -- I guess that's true. 25 25 Q. How about in public appearances? Is it fair We've done newspaper ads where they've spoke Page 70 1 out. They've, um -- I guess there's been 1 2 2 many, many. It depends where you want to the CEO of MyPillow? 3 3 draw the line. A. I don't -- I -- I don't introduce -- I 4 Q. Let me -- let me rephrase it this way, I 4 5 5 guess, then: Would you -- do you consider 6 one of your roles and responsibilities to be 6 with the inventor of MyPillow. 7 7 a spokesperson for MyPillow? In fact, I didn't like the word 8 8 A. When you say "a spokesman," I'm talking 9 about, yeah, I feel a responsibility to do --9 10 10 when I do commercials, most of them I'm in. 11 We had to make one for -- we had to 11 12 make ones for different things where we've 12 Lindell, the inventor of MyPillow. 13 had -- where I haven't been in there, but 13 14 then I've had some with my -- my other son 14 15 has been in them. 15 16 You know, um, if you're on radio 16 17 shows, there's been different people, not 17 did or whatever. 18 18

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just me, that have done the radio shows for MyPillow where you've been on a show and they talk about, you know, the -- they talk about the company, maybe the company's -- when we used to do -- or not when we used to do.

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When we would be on radio and TV shows, there were many spokesmen that would go on there and say about the -- what the

Page 71 company is like to work for and how we help people in addiction and help people -- we're

We've had different spokesmen out there. I can think of one, Melissa Huray. She is still out there. She does a whole

We've had different people on radio shows that represent MyPillow where they go on and talk about -- and then we tell about the specials or they might even tell about the culture at MyPillow where -- like I say, we're a company of second chance. We have people that work for us that come out of the Salvation Army and Teen Challenge.

And we've been on many, many, many talk shows and stuff about that, where it's not me, it's other people representing MyPillow that have maybe been saved or found the Lord or they got out of addiction.

So, I mean, I guess that's very broad, what you're saying there. For myself, I'm in the majority of the commercials, though, if you are talking commercials.

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to say that you often introduce yourself as

don't -- I say, Hello, this is Mike Lindell, and I used to say when I -- I just stopped

> "founder" when people say -- because I say we're not made in China or whatever. I didn't find MyPillow. I invented MyPillow. That was my whole theme. Hello, I'm Mike

I wasn't, you know -- and now I don't -- now -- if people introduce me now, they'll say the -- you know, they don't say -- they'll say "founder," like you guys

They would still -- you know, it's more powerful that you invented a product and you built something with the American dream than the other way, so...

- 22 Q. Okay. So -- so I apologize for the word 23 "founding." So you would introduce yourself 24 as the inventor of MyPillow, right?
- 25 A. Yeah, the inventor of MyPillow. That was my

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Page 73 1 whole thing. 2 When I go on places now, they --3 now they don't say -- you know, if I go on 4 things now, they don't even bring it up. I 5 mean, people -- I've done the commercial, 6 I've been on TV for MyPillow millions and 7 millions of times. 8 Up until 2016 or '17, it was 9 like -- just at that point, because I threw 10 out the first pitch for the Minnesota Twins 11 and they had counted with commercials over 12 3 million times. 13 So, you know, I think people know 14 that I'm the inventor of MyPillow, you know.

Q. Uh-huh. And also the CEO of MyPillow, right?

A. I don't -- I don't know what they -- if they -- if people -- if you ask people out there, I don't know if they would know that. They would know I'm the -- I don't know if they would know my title, you know.

21 Q. Is -- is one of your responsibilities as 22 the -- as the CEO of MyPillow to generate 23 awareness of the company?

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24 A. No. My responsibility is all of our stuff --25 all of our stuff is individually tracked,

1 much short-form media you buy.

> 2 When we were -- because we tracked it all individually, we made that a success where no other -- no other companies could do that in the United States, anyway, where 6 the -- when I say that, like in 2011, when we did our first infomercial, we made it so if you track each thing individually, whether

it's in the middle of the night on CNN or,

like I said before, prime time on ABC or CBS, 11 whatever it is, we made that work.

12 So if you paid too much, you 13 wouldn't run the ad. I'm not going to run an

ad if it doesn't produce. You either break even or make a little bit. So by doing that,

16 we were able to make a success.

17 Other people that advertise on TV, they're just branding. I can't afford to

brand. People would advertise like we did.

The products that have made it in the United

21 States are almost all MyPillow, MyPillow,

22 MyMattress Topper, MyTowels, MySlippers

23 and -- you know, there's like four or five.

24 Other things don't last that long

on TV because they're paying too much or they

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going back to 2010, by promo codes. We did fairs -- home show and fairs.

And the history is when we first did print -- every single thing we do, what if that was your only show. So whatever you pay for it, whatever you pay, here's what you get back. You know, here's your return on 8 your investment. That's your offer of the product, how much you pay for the ad.

We've never branded. So what 11 you're talking about, is it branded. I can 12 sit there today and go, um, hey, we're 13 sponsored by MyPillow. You're not going to 14 sell anything, zero. People don't buy stuff 15 based on a brand. They -- it's a call to 16 action in an ad, whether it's print, radio or 17 TV or an email blast, whatever it is, or our 18 direct mailer.

19 Everything we track individually, 20 and if it doesn't work, if you pay too much for it -- I did this for Major League 21 22 Baseball. I did -- it's about here's your 23 product. Here's your -- you know, back then 24 we bought so much short form, and that's what 25 the box stores all go by, how much you -- how

don't understand that that -- it might not work in that spot or on this -- on CNN and 3 prime time because they want too much money or they -- but it might work in the middle of 5 the night or on Fox at this time or whatever 6 it is.

7 So we -- you know, we don't brand. 8 When you say -- when you say awareness, that's a -- we made our awareness because we 10 made our marketing work where it was direct 11 to consumer.

12 Even when I did the Minnesota 13 Twins, the Major League Baseball, we tracked everything via promo code. We did it in 2015 15 or '16. So even the announcer was a separate 16 promo code, the pop-up in left field behind 17 homeplate, and another one. There's five 18 different things and I tracked it for Major 19 League Baseball, each one, and we found out, 20 hey, these are -- behind homeplate is not 21 good because you pay too much for it.

22 So I bought their other products 23 and we made a deal, and then all of Major League Baseball followed suit. They reached 25 out to MyPillow and go, Hey, will you buy

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these ads? And I said, Yeah, you guys are 2 overpriced on the one behind homeplate. 3 So it's just recognized a different 4 kind of marketing where we don't have to -- I 5 don't brand. That's the bottom line. What 6 you are talking about is awareness for a 7 brand. You can do all the awareness you 8 want, but by the time you get that, you're 9 done. You would be under.

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I built my brand based on 2012 when 11 we weren't tracking anything. In 2012 we 12 took in \$100 million over six months and we 13 were -- I was 6 million in debt because 14 nothing was tracked right by these companies.

15 They didn't know what they were doing. 16 So I pulled it all in-house and 17 started tracking each thing, like what if I 18 had to live on just the -- just this one 19 show, like I did many times when I went show 20 to show for years by myself going show to 21 show, what if I had -- you would make 22 everything you could right for that moment in 23 time, and that's what I did for every radio 24 station, every newspaper in this country. 25 When I did newspaper, we're the

that -- beginning of the virus.

And so I was able to recognize the people's change in behavior, what they were going to do because I wasn't going to buy ads on radio then to brand. I would buy ads -they were charging too much because nobody was driving in their car listening, or like on TV, though -- everybody was watching TV.

And everybody else was afraid to brand. Well, I wasn't branding. I was buying a direct ad for a lower price and I was able to get that for a price, like, three times lower than normal.

And we're direct sales and -direct sales, so it's what -- I mean, we went up. That was our biggest increase ever, was because we were tracking each thing individually.

We were even able to buy TV stations that we -- that normally were too high a price that we could never buy, we were able to buy them during that time.

23 Q. So fair to say, then, you track -- you 24 tracked your ads with promo codes in real 25 time and you tracked --

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1 number-one print ad in history in the United 2 States in every single ad, because we made --3 if it didn't work, we paid too much, we 4 wouldn't buy it. They were called remnant 5 ads.

So I would change the creative and make it work. I didn't just put "MyPillow," "buy MyPillow." You know, they -- that's not 9 the way it works in good advertising.

So we've kind of got a -- our way 11 we do things is very unique and it's worked 12 since 2010 when I first did print, and then I 13 first did radio with Don Imus and I learned 14 then.

And, you know, it's how much you 16 pay and how much you get back in real time. 17 It's not like -- we're not like Coca-Cola or 18 Chevrolet or Nike and all these places.

That's why -- that's why MyPillow 20 did so well when -- when the virus first came 21 in, people quit watching radio, so I pulled 22 ads off radio. They were watching TV. And 23 everybody else was afraid to brand then, but 24 I was doing direct marketing and that's when 25 our sales went way up, the beginning of

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A. And 1-8 -- and 1-800 numbers. Remember, I built my own call center. So every promo 3 code has its own 1-800 number, too, so that 4 we can -- we get all the tracking. So if it 5 doesn't make its number, you don't run it 6 again or you've got to change your -- what 7 you pay for it. 8

Just because -- I'll give you an example. Major League Baseball behind homeplate, when you buy things à la carte, that was the worst place for anybody to buy because they charge too much for it, for what you get back.

People have come to MyPillow -- the way I market stuff, even back then, they have come to me for expertise. Companies that have copied that, they're making it because now they know where their best advertising for their buck is versus advertising here and it's not paying off, and they don't even know if it is or not when you brand.

- 22 Q. Mr. Lindell, let me just finish my question 23 here, if you will, please.
- 24 A. Okay.
- 25 Q. So you track your ads via promo codes and the

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	1-800 numbers, you see when it's doing well,
	and you try to place your ads in the place
	where they'll get the most return for the
	lowest cost. Fair?
A.	Yeah. You treat each one of them
	individually. Now, there is a difference
	now, there is one other kind that I not
	that I forgot to tell you.
	We also in 20 in 2015 or 20
	let's see. 2014 or '15 or maybe no, maybe
	it was 2012. It was somewhere in the 2012,
	'13 era, I went with I started with Salem
	Media. This all started with radio first.
	I went to them because they would
	say we have this many impressions, and I
	would say, Well, that doesn't impress me. I
	said, If you have such a good product, that
	means that people are listening and watching.
	You know, our demographics back then were
	like 45 years old and older, I learned that,
	and for MyPillow.
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to do it with rev shares. So they got -they would put up their reads and we would put up our products. So they would get a rev

So Salem Media was the first ones

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- share, I don't make the decision. If they 1
- 2 want to run it ten times or do whatever,
- 3 that's their business because I have nothing
- 4 to lose. You follow me?
- 5 Q. Understood.
- A. So that -- that's not where -- let's say 6
- 7 it's -- if I wouldn't think it's successful,
- 8 that person -- they have to make their own
- 9 decision there if they want to run the ad or
- 10 not. That's not my decision then.
- 11 Q. How many -- well, we'll talk about revenue
- 12 sharing later.
- 13 A. Yep.
- 14 Q. So those are as -- in your roles and
- 15 responsibilities, we discussed what was in
- 16 that interrogatory answer. We discussed that
- 17 you are a spokesperson for MyPillow, even if
- 18 not the only spokesperson for MyPillow,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Define "spokesperson." I mean, when you --
- 21 there's hundreds -- when you -- if someone is
- 22 out there, an employee that's doing a thing,
- 23 they're a spokesperson, I guess. They're
- 24 selling MyPillow. Yes. The answer is yes.
- 25 Q. You appear in -- you appear in commercials

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share. So -- and that just exploded. So we had podcasters and radio shows. They all got a rev share. So that's different.

If they want to run it wide open, that's their choice. We were guaranteed X at MyPillow then, back when we started the rev share program in 2012 or '13.

So many podcasters jumped on board and many radio stations jumped on board because they could sell -- rather than sell ten ads for \$1,000 apiece, they could run three MyPillow ads back then and they would make more than they did in all ten, so they could either sell the other seven or just run Pillow -- MyPillow wide open.

- 16 Q. And that's a revenue-sharing agreement --
- 17 A. That was revenue sharing. Yep.
- 18 Q. We'll talk about that later. Okay. Okay.
- All right. I want to talk --19
- 20 A. My point being --

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- 21 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
- 22 Q. Mr. Lindell, there's no question.
- 23 A. No, I just want to put something in there, 24 though, real quick.
- 25 So I don't -- when it's a rev

1 and advertisements and --

- A. Right.
- Q. -- in public and market the company, right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And that that rog response also says you
- 6 manage all aspects of the company and its
- 7 operations. I believe we talked about that
  - before, right?
- 9 A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. There is a couple other employees on this
- 11 list here in topic number 3 that I just want
- 12 to confirm their employment by MyPillow.
  - The first is Dawn Curtis. Is Dawn
  - Curtis a MyPillow employee?
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- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Is Nick -- and was Dawn Curtis a MyPillow 16
- 17 employee in 2021?
- 18 A. She -- she's been in a role for a long time.
- 19 She ran our radio for a long time. I
- 20 don't -- I forget what year. It goes all the
  - way back. She takes care of radio and
- 22 podcasts, that's her role.

23 And like I used to do -- here's --

- 24 we don't let just anyone sell MyPillow. They
- 25 have to try the product, believe in the

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Page 85 Page 87 1 product. And I used to get on the phone with 1 longer with us. 2 all the podcasters and radio hosts back then, Q. And what was -- was she with -- was she a 3 no matter who they were, so that we would --3 MyPillow employee in 2021? 4 they would believe in the product. I didn't 4 A. Yes. 5 want them selling our product just to sell 5 Q. And what was her role at that time? 6 it. I wanted them to really believe in our A. It's -- it's technology, like if computers 7 7 company and our products. were -- needed fixing or -- she worked in IT. 8 So Dawn started doing that, where 8 Q. Was Ms. Terri Pietz, P-I-E-T-Z, a MyPillow 9 she would get on the phone, no matter what 9 employee in 2021? 10 10 A. I don't know. I don't know. Probably, I the host, and do the -- send them the 11 11 product. They didn't get to start. They guess. Yeah, I think she was. 12 would have to take it. And then if they had 12 Q. And do you recall her roles and 13 a problem, we would give them a different 13 responsibilities? 14 size of MyPillow. So she did that. 14 A. She did -- she did -- hung pictures, went and 15 Then she started -- so she tracks, 15 got -- went to -- she's just a utility, 16 like, radio and podcasts. That's her --16 just -- I guess hung pictures, decorated. 17 that's her two things. She will track that. 17 Um, she lost her job, too. 18 18 She's been doing that for a long time. There was -- she did -- I guess she 19 Q. Okay. The next individual is Nick Dressen. 19 did stuff a little bit with -- maybe in the 20 A. Yep. 20 giveaway department, like where you give away 21 Q. Is Nick Dressen a MyPillow employee? 21 pillows, like with Thom and them, and --22 A. Yes. 22 yeah, that's about it, you know. 23 Q. And was Nick Dressen a MyPillow employee in 23 She didn't -- she didn't have a --24 2021? 24 she didn't have a role other than, you know, 25 A. Correct. 25 if you need flowers put in a lobby or Page 86 Page 88 Q. And what is -- what are Mr. Dressen's 1 whatever, kind of -- that kind of role. 1 2 Q. Do you recall if Ms. Pietz worked on the responsibilities? 2 3 A. Now, I don't know in 2021, but I -- if he was 3 MyPillow newsletter? A. I have no idea. No idea. I don't know if --4 still -- if he was doing what he is doing 5 5 now. Right now he does all the emails and I've never seen the -- I've probably looked 6 texts. 6 at one newsletter in my life of MyPillow. 7 7 And so they set up like the promo Q. That's the --A. I have no idea. The employees do it. Then 8 codes and emails -- promo codes, phone 9 numbers for every -- every single email that 9 they -- it's employees that do it. I have no 10 10 goes out is, like I say, tracked idea. I've never looked at one. If I did, 11 11 individually. it may have been years ago. I don't ever 12 12

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He's -- that's his full-time job now, and I don't know if it was back in '21. I'm not sure, but I -- like I say, I don't know if it was him or not then, but it is now.

17 Q. How about Jennifer Pauly Hunter? Is Ms. Hunter a MyPillow employee? 18

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A. No. She -- she lost her job because of 19 20 the -- earlier this year when we had -- it's

21 been one layoff after another with the

22 decimation of our company, the -- the attacks

23 and the lost business since 20 -- January of

24 '21. So she -- she lost her job. We had a

25 big layoff this spring, and so she's no remember reading one in its entirety.

We used to -- I know we did a thing where back in the day we wanted employee of the month and we were doing a thing -- or employee of the week or whatever. I think that's way back in the day. That's the newsletters I remember of -- or remember.

But I have no idea about any newsletter. I never see a newsletter.

21 Q. Okay. I want to show you a document here. I think it will be Exhibit 726. My colleague will put it on the screen.

> MR. FREY: For the record, it's produced with Bates number DEF027329.

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on my direction. I was too busy with getting

I was every minute up to that movie, up to

cancelled and making the movie. I know where

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Page 89 (Deposition Exhibit 726 was marked for identification.) 1 that movie. So I have absolutely no idea 2 BY MR. FREY: 2 with this newsletter. 3 3 Q. Do you see here it's a February 2021 email? I mean, it was big news when 4 The top email is from Sarah Cronin to Terri 4 Absolute Proof came out, but that was on 5 Pietz. 5 February 5th of 2021. So, you know, I don't A. Okay. 6 6 know why this would be -- I guess this is Q. And below that Terri emails Sarah and says, 7 7 news from January and February that Mike 8 "Let me know if approved. Newsletter -8 Lindell came out with a movie. I don't know 9 Updated." 9 why this was up there and I don't know if it 10 Do you see that? 10 went to the employees. I have no idea. 11 A. Yep. 11 I don't even know if this thing Q. And then if you scroll down, it's the 12 12 went out or -- I don't see the newsletter 13 MyPillow newsletter, January/February 2021, 13 other than a picture of Absolute Proof. So I 14 and it is referencing that Absolute Proof 14 don't know. I mean, where's the guts of the 15 documentary, correct? 15 email -- or the newsletter? It just says, 16 A. Okay. Yep. 16 "Absolute Proof." I don't get it. 17 Q. And so would this have been part of 17 Q. So it says here --18 Ms. Pietz's -- does this refresh your 18 A. Oh, see, now you're scrolling down. 19 recollection as to whether Ms. Pietz was 19 Q. Yeah. 20 involved with the employee newsletter --20 A. So Martin Luther King. I guess this is just 21 21 A. I've never seen -the news of the last two months in the 22 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 22 public. I don't know. They've got Martin 23 A. I've never seen this in my life, and I have 23 Luther King. 24 no idea what Terri -- that Terri -- if Terri 24 Scroll down a little bit. You're 25 was involved in this. I've never seen this, 25 kind of hiding stuff here. Well, scroll down Page 90 1 as far as I know. 1 a little bit. I want to see the rest of the 2 2 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) newsletter. So you have Martin Luther King 3 A. Terri put -- like I say, Terri Pietz was --3 on there. So this is a newsletter saying --4 to the employees maybe of the previous month. 4 she was just an office worker. If someone 5 5 needed flowers, if they needed something in Why are you hiding Martin Luther King on 6 their cubicle, if they needed pictures hung, 6 here? 7 this is what she does -- she did. It 7 Q. We're not. So we're going to start at the 8 8 was basically you tried to find work for her. top of the newsletter. 9 So if Sarah reached out to her to 9 Mr. Lindell, I'll tell you if you 10 10 add that to the newsletter because we were -have -- maybe we should get your laptop out 11 or your tablet, because then you could have 11 because this movie was going to get 12 distributed to the employees, I don't know. 12 full control of the document. 13 I have no idea. You'd have to ask Sarah or 13 We're not trying to hide anything 14 14 from you. We will publish -- we've published Terri. 15 Q. And when was --15 this document to the court reporter and to 16 A. It looks to me like Sarah was reaching out to 16 your attorney and to you. If you will open 17 her like any other -- huh? Go ahead. 17 up a tablet, you can manipulate it any way 18 Q. I was going to say: Was Absolute Proof 18 you want. 19 19 distributed to the -- all the MyPillow Go ahead and ask how you want it 20 employees? 20 scrolled and we'll scroll through it. 21 A. I have no idea, absolutely no idea. It 21 A. Just go ahead and scroll. This is the first 22 wasn't -- it wasn't -- it wouldn't have been 22 time I've seen this. You're asking me to

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explain something here. Scroll down the

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document and then come back up to the top and

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That's a fact.

24 Q. Okay. We can move on.

Todd Taylor. Was Todd Taylor a

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Page 93 Page 95 1 even is. I've never seen this before in my 1 MyPillow employee in 2021? 2 A. Yes. 2 life 3 3 Q. And what was his --I've never read a MyPillow A. Yep. 4 newsletter. I don't even know who it goes to 5 within our employees. This doesn't go out to Q. What was his position? A. He is a manufacturing -- he is the manager of 6 the general public, I know that. That's a 7 fact. 7 a building, one of our buildings. I don't 8 "We must learn to live together as 8 know how many we had in 2021, but he is a 9 9 manager of one of the buildings and -- he is brothers or perish..." Okay. "Welcome New 10 10 Employees. MyPillow Apparel." the overall manager of that building. 11 11 Okay. So I've never seen these. So you have, you know, 12 It looks to me like it's a -- it's just for 12 manufacturing, inventory under him, 13 13 our internal employees, and then I could see procurement. He would be the building 14 where Terri Pietz would be helping. She is 14 manager that kind of oversees all the 15 15 the utility player, where Sarah said, here, departments within that building, and that's 16 16 you know. 17 17 Q. And how about Kim Rasmussen? Was "Happy President's Day." I mean --18 okay. I get it. So now continue with your 18 Ms. Rasmussen a MyPillow employee in 2021? 19 questions. I get it. This is just a --19 A. No, I don't believe so. I think she left 20 "...stood to give a testimony about MyPillow. 20 in 20 -- I don't know exactly when she left, 21 21 but it was either the -- she might have left This young lady..." One scripture -- it 22 talks about God. "Thank you everyone for 22 in 2021, but I think it was 2020 or maybe 23 your hard work." Okay. I've got it. Yeah. 23 even 2019. I don't know. 24 Q. Yeah. So my question really was just if 24 Q. And did she -- she left MyPillow completely? 25 Terri's roles and responsibilities included 25 A. Yeah. She left MyPillow completely, whenever Page 94 Page 96 1 sending out the employee newsletter for 1 she did leave. In fact, she had an employee 2 2 MyPillow. That's -agreement where she -- she -- she just wanted 3 to retire early, I guess, and she -- she had 3 A. I have no idea. I've never read one. I 4 4 don't even know if it goes on. I didn't know been with me a long time, since 20, I 5 5 when it was stopped. I don't know if we believe, 10 and she left -- she even had to 6 continued to do it. I don't know when it 6 leave some of her stock because, you know, 7 7 started. I don't know. I think that would there was employee agreements. She just 8 be a question for probably Sarah Cronin. 8 wanted to retire. 9 I would say Terri did not -- I 9 Q. What was her role with the company before she 10 10 don't know if she would have anything to do retired? 11 with it, other than what Sarah just sent her 11 A. She was accounting. Accounting. Just 12 there because, like I say, if she's in and 12 accounting, that's it. 13 you needed help hanging signs -- or I mean 13 Q. Let's move on to topic number 4 in the 14 14 notice, which is the authority, practices, pictures, if you needed help wiping windows 15 down, if you needed help moving something, if 15 procedures, and responsibilities of the 16 you needed help -- it looks to me like Sarah 16 MyPillow Board of Directors from January 1st, 17 reached out to her to help her with that, 17 2016 to the present. 18 18 A. Okay. something with that newsletter. That's all. 19 Terri Pietz had no significant role 19 Q. Now, consistent with our prior discussion, is 20 like that at all. That's -- she would have 20 it my understanding that you did not do 21 helped that day. As far as I know, you know, 21 anything specifically to prepare yourself to 22 22 that wasn't her role, to make a newsletter. testify as to this topic today?

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23 A. Not one thing, other than less than five

minutes with my attorney this morning. He

said, Remember, we've to get on on time.

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1 Q. Do you consider yourself the person most	been on the defense trying to stay alive with
2 knowledgeable at MyPillow to testify about	2 MyPillow with all the attacks and the losses
3 this topic?	3 and the cancellations.
4 A. Yes.	4 And, you know, I'm sure we've had
5 Q. So I want to talk we've gone through who	5 some. I just don't know. I couldn't tell
6 some of the board members were. I just want	6 you the the schedule hasn't been like it
7 to get an understanding of kind of the	7 was prior to that, where every time you had a
8 cadence of board meetings and what the board	8 board meeting, you scheduled the next one.
9 does.	9 You read the prior minutes. You schedule the
So how often does the MyPillow	10 next one. It was like very clockwork. But
Board of Directors meet in a given year?	everything changed in January of '21 going
12 A. Back then, if you go back to 20 I don't	12 forward for everything.
13 know how far back you want to go. There were	13 Q. So since January of '21, how does a call for
times we've had up to one meeting a quarter.	14 a meeting come about?
There's been times it's been less than that,	15 A. I guess probably Doug Wardlow would say we've
maybe once a year, twice a year.	got to schedule a corporate we've got to
17 It just we haven't had one now	17 schedule a corporate board meeting. I think
18 in quite a while because it's been living day	18 you're I think you're required to you
19 by day because we're you know, we don't	19 know, in a time you can't you've got to
20 have any money left anywhere. So they so	20 have so many in a period or whatever. He'd
21 we we're going day by day trying to stay	just put, you know, we have to have one.
22 alive.	22 That's been brought up before with Doug,
But we had a lot like I say,	23 so Our corporate attorneys usually call
24 we've had anywhere from, I'd say, maximum	24 the meeting.
25 four in a year to we might not have one for a	25 Q. Okay. That's what I was going to ask, who
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1 whole year, like this last year, because	1 decides to have the meeting. It's the
2 we've been	2 corporate attorneys?
3 Q. And so is it fair to say, then, there's not	3 A. Yeah. I believe so, yeah.
4 like a preset schedule for the board	4 Q. Does someone prepare an agenda for the
5 meetings, they're just kind of called when	5 meetings
6 needed?	6 A. Oh, yeah.
7 A. No. No. Usually when you had a board	7 Q in advance?
8 meeting when it was when we had all our	8 A. Yeah, and that's done by usually the
9 structure before all the attacks and before	9 corporate attorneys. I believe so. They set
10 we lost just complete disarray with in	10 the yeah, I think that's Doug Wardlow that
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- 11 January of '21, we would have -- whenever we
- 12 had a board meeting, we would set the time
- 13 for the next board meeting. It would usually
- 14 be three months out. We did this like
- 15 clockwork up until we were attacked and lost
- 16 everything in January of '21.
- 17 Q. So then --
- 18 A. It was like clockwork. You could set your 19 watch by it.
- 20 Q. Okay. So there was a regular cadence to 21 meetings pre-January 2021, and then since
- 22 that time it's been more kind of ad hoc?
- 23 A. I don't even -- I don't even know how many
- 24 we've had then or what we've done then
- 25 because it was -- it's -- like I say, we've

- sets all of that. 11
- 12 Q. And then those are disseminated to the board
- 13 members in advance?
- 14 A. Yep. You get all the -- you get all the --
- 15 and then you agree to all the stuff from the
- 16 prior minutes. Everybody has to approve
- 17 that, just like a normal board meeting.
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- 19 Q. Okay. That was going to be my next question.
- 20 So minutes are prepared of the board
  - meetings?

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- 22 A. Yeah. Of course they are.
- 23 Q. And are those minutes maintained anywhere?
- 24 A. Yes, I believe so. You would have to ask the 25 attorneys.

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1	<ul> <li>Q. And then following the meeting or in advance</li> </ul>
2	of the next meeting, the minutes will be
3	disseminated to the board, right?
4	A. A hundred percent. We have a person
5	keeping you know, typing stuff up during
6	the board of everything that was talked
7	about. It's you know

Q. Okay. And how is it determined what issues 8 9 will be discussed at the board meeting?

10 A. We just have a -- it's always structured. 11 You have a chairman's report, maybe a -- each 12 department, I think, reports. There's like 13 three or four. I think there is four 14 different departments. 15

The legal department, they make -they do theirs. I have my report. I know the lawyers have their report. Um, I don't know if there is a report from manufacturing or not. I don't know. I'd have to look back and see.

I just know that the -- usually 22 the, um -- it seems like lately it's the legal department that has the biggest report --

25 Q. Okay. Are board members --

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with him and I told him about that I used to 2 be an ex-crack cocaine addict. I said I -- I

3 have this network, the Lindell Recovery

4 Network, where I help people. He said, I'm going to stop the drugs pouring in.

6 I had this conversation with this guv. I never even -- I never even watched 7 The Apprentice. I certainly never met a 9 presidential candidate.

10 I got out of that meeting. It was just him and I, and I went -- I asked his 11 12 employees -- there was no agenda. He didn't 13 want money or anything. He just wanted to 14 know what it was like to manufacture here in 15 the US and how it was working for me, and it 16 was -- and I said it was great. I said -- I 17 went and talked to his employees and all 18 employees validated what I had just seen, great man, great person. He had helped them

20 individually. 21 So I got back to Minnesota and I 22 went -- we had a board meeting then, 23 actually, and I said, I want to do a press 24 release. I met Donald Trump. And I said,

25 You guys, this guy -- he would be amazing. I

Page 102 1 A. -- because of -- because of things like this. 2 Are board members what? 3 Q. Are board members permitted to raise issues at a meeting that are not --4 5 A. A hundred percent. 6 Q. -- on the agenda? 7 A. Absolutely. 8 Q. And what types of issues do board members 9 raise?

10 A. Well, I'll give you one. In January -- or in 11 August of 2016 -- and this is very public.

12 I've said it before. In fact, I think it's 13 even in my book.

> I was the media's darling. I could walk across the street and every outlet would say, Mike, how many employees are you hiring today? How many more employees? Wow, you're hiring. You're helping people off the

19 street. You've given millions of dollars to 20 help the homeless and all this stuff. 21

And then I went to -- I never voted in my life. I went to a meeting in the summer of '21. I was invited to it by Donald Trump. He was running for office and I went to that meeting August 15th, 2016 and I met

said, I want to tell people, you know, this -- this would help businesses and stuff.

3 And at that time Joe Springer, who 4 was our -- our in-house attorney -- he might 5 have been just an outside counsel. I don't

6 know if he had been hired inside then or not, 7 but he was on the board and he said, If you

8 do the press release, you're going to lose half our business. And I said, Why? Why

10 would that matter if I -- if I did that? I

11 said, You know, I'm just -- it didn't make 12 sense to me.

13 And he -- because I was doing --14 this was me as an individual, not as 15 MyPillow. And he said -- and I said, This is 16 me as an individual. It had nothing to do with MyPillow. He says, Well, you would hurt MyPillow. I go, Why? That doesn't make 19 sense to me.

20 And so he put in his two cents 21 there, you know, and they -- so it was things 22 like that where, yeah, there could be 23 pushback on anything. 24

And so -- by the way, I did that 25 press release and I was attacked by all the

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1	media at that time. They called me a racist.	1	was somebody brought it up. Joe brought
2	They called me a drug dealer. And I said,	2	it up. I didn't bring it up and say that I
3	No, I never dealt a drug in my life. I tried	3	was going to do this. Somebody brought it up
4	to rid Minneapolis of drugs by doing them	4	to him and he brought it up to the board
5	all. And I had my recovery network and all	5	meeting. I heard you're going to go out and
6	this stuff, and they just attacked me.	6	do a press release. Joe Springer brought it
7	And the Better Business Bureau took	7	up. I didn't bring it up. Somebody had
8	me from took MyPillow from an A plus to an	8	talked to him internally or whatever.
9	F. They didn't do anything. In fact, they	9	You know, what I did with myself, I
10	were you know, they had nothing to do with	10	didn't tell I didn't go in the board
11	Mike Lindell then and it was like this is	11	meeting and say, I'm going to have a private
12	unbelievable. I could not believe it back	12	meeting with Donald Trump. I mean, you know,
13	then what they what happened.	13	this is something that he brought up. And I
14	But so, yeah, there is an	14	said and I'm defending myself going, um,
15	example right there.	15	I'm my own person. Joe, what you do in your
16	Q. So that board member pushed back and said why	16	off time is your time. Him and I got in an
17	would you why would do this and	17	argument over it.
18	A. Can I	18	You know, he was a very this is
19	Q ultimately	19	when I first learned about politics. He was
20	A. Right.	20	a very left-leaning liberal, and I didn't
21	Q the company went forward and you did issue	21	know a Democrat from a Republican or liberal
22	the press release, right?	22	from a conservative then. I had never voted
	A. No, no, no, not the company. Mike Lindell as	23	in my life. I was an ex-crack cocaine
24	an individual. Let's get that straight.	24	addict.
25	Mike Lindell. This was he telling me not to	25	I'm going, What are you talking
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1	do this. I said, I'm my own person and I	1	about? I said, I want to help people. My
2	said, I didn't go out there and say,	2	thing was to help people out of addiction and
3	"MyPillow." I went out there as Mike	3	to Jesus Christ. That was my thing there.
4	Lindell. If you read my book, you'll see	4	He didn't say anything when I spoke
5	that.	5	in churches all over the country and about
6	This was a this was Mike	6	addiction or you know, all of a sudden he
7	Lindell. Had nothing to do with MyPillow,	7	brings this up there. I'm going you know,
8	and I told him that. Why would it didn't	8	it was an argument. I'm going, What I do in
9	have anything to do with MyPillow. This is	9	my time is my business. What you do in your
10	me, Mike Lindell.	10	time, Joe, is yours. And and that was the
11	I had a private meeting with Donald	11	argument.
12	Trump talking about addiction and people, and	12	Q. And so that you were giving me that as an
13	he says, I'm going to stop the fentanyl	13	example as an instance in which a board
14	pouring in. This when I got my first	14	member can raise an issue that's not on the
15	taste of that.	15	agenda?
16	So then the Better Business Bureau,	16	A. Right. They raised right. They raised an
17	we were up for their highest award, their	17	issue that's not on the agenda, and that's
18	Torch Award, they came in and attacked	18	one that's even in my book, you know.
19	MyPillow, but they had nothing to do with	19	And then he and then when the
20	anything, very similar to this right here	20	Better Business Bureau comes out and takes us
21	actually, now that I think about it.	21	from an A plus to an F, he's going kind of
22	Q. Let me ask, Mr. Lindell, why were you	22	like, see, I told you so. I'm going, You

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discussing your personal decision at the

MyPillow board meeting?

25 A. I didn't -- I didn't bring it up. This

know what? What I do on my own time -- what

they did was so horrible to MyPillow, which

had nothing to do with what I did and it was

book, and that was in November of 2014.

25 That's when we finally made a commercial that 25

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Page 109 Page 111 1 a -- you know, it would be -- you know, I 1 worked of one minute. Before they were 2 guess that was, you know -- I'm not saying he 2 half-hour commercials. 3 3 was right or wrong, but what I do on my own So we sold enough in November and 4 4 time was none of his business and what he December, which I had told -- you know, Joe does -- that was my point to him. 5 didn't have an answer. His pushback was: 6 And there are things like that 6 Look what we've got here. We've got a big 7 would come up, but not -- you know, another 7 problem. What are you going to do about it, example would be my -- you know, let's say 8 Mike? I'm going, okay, yeah, that is a 9 problem, because -- and so things like that 9 they would bring it up. They'd go, Mike, I 10 10 think we should -- another thing was that -would get brought up. 11 Joe brought up in the summer of 2014 our 11 Q. Okay. All right. I want to look at a 12 inventory was very high. 12 specific example of board minutes that we 13 13 have. My colleague will place it on the I remember the specific 14 conversation with, again, that Joe Springer, 14 screen and publish it to the court reporter. 15 and he was so worried because our inventory, 15 MR. FREY: This will be Exhibit 16 727 --16 which was paid for, it was all our profits, 17 our inventory was like 30 or 25 or 30 million 17 MS. LOFTUS: Actually, it's --18 dollars and that was our profit. 18 MR. FREY: Oh, I'm sorry. This has 19 And if we didn't have a way to sell 19 already -- for the court reporter, this has 20 already been marked as Deposition Exhibit 20 that, the employees, like we talked earlier, 21 21 would have to pay taxes. They would be taxed 666. 22 on that because that income was sitting in 22 BY MR. FREY: 23 inventory. 23 Q. Mr. Lindell, do you recognize these as board 24 24 meeting minutes from October 5th, 2021? And I said -- and I had to say --25 it was -- it was -- and he was right. I 25 A. That's what it says, correct. Page 112 Page 110 said, You know -- I said, All I know is we've Q. Have you seen these -- this document before? A. No. I'm looking at it now. I probably did got to pray to figure out a way to sell this 3 back then, but I don't recall. But, yeah, I 3 inventory because otherwise the employees 4 4 would, you know, be paying taxes on that mean, I've seen documents. This would have 5 5 because our media -- our half-hour been -- this would have been, I guess, 6 infomercials have fatigued. There's a 6 presented to us before we started the 7 7 fatigue level. Once you run them for so meeting, correct? 8 Q. And at the start here it says that, "Mike 8 long, they fatigue. 9 So we had all this paid-for 9 approved minutes. Doug set motion - Jen 10 seconded." Right? 10 inventory, which was profit, but you can't 11 pay taxes on inventory. I mean, you can't So that's the board voted to 12 say, Here you go, IRS, take some slippers and 12 approve the prior minutes? 13 take some pillows. 13 A. Correct. Correct. Correct. 14 Q. Then a vote to remove board members. So 14 And I remember him going, you know, 15 Wayne was removed for health reasons and then 15 we can't -- we have to do something, 16 16 whatever. And I'm going -- you know, he there is the Bob Roepke resignation that 17 didn't have the solution. I said -- I said, 17 you --18 A. Yep. 18 You're just going to have to trust. I'll 19 Q. -- previously disclosed, right? 19 find different ways to market to get rid --20 to sell this stuff before the end of the 20 And again, then, here the board 21 year. 21 votes --22 22 A. Yep. That's when we came out with our 23 Q. -- on that? 23 one-minute commercial, which is also in my

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Then there is a motion to set the

board to 12 members, right?

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1	Λ	Page 113 Okay. Yep.	1	Page 115 platform and we were on all the platforms	
2		Okay. And various other motions and votes	2	that we advertised, we were cancelled.	
3	Q.	regarding who the board membership will be,	3	MyPillow was cancelled on YouTube and Vimeo,	
4		right?	4	these different things.	
5	٨	Yep.	5	MyPillow so this would be a	
6		Then we scroll down and there's a UK update	6	platform we would be able to advertise on,	
7	Q.	and discussion, and this is pertaining to the	7	you know, to we were starting to look at	
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8	۸	UK business line; is that right?	8	ways ways to replace our advertisers	
9		Yep. Right.	9	because we lost our box stores, shopping	
10		All right.	10	channels. We lost a lot of platforms, like	
11	Α.	The UK the UK let's go back to the UK.	11	YouTube, Vimeo, Twitter, the places where we	
12		Yeah, the UK after January of '21, they just	12	•	
13		attacked the business, so we I wanted to	13	. 3 3	
14		get rid of it. We was just we were	14	g .	
15		hemorrhaging money over there because they	15	Q. Okay. And so it would be a it would be a	
16		were cancelled, too, along with everything	16	site on which, I guess you said, MyPillow	
17		else, just attacked.	17		
18	Q	Okay. And so this one is just discussed,	18		
19		right, this issue is just a discussion?	19	like any other platform, exactly. We would	
20		There is no board vote here, right?	20	have another outlet.	
21	Α.	Looks like it, right.	21	And when you when we buy ads,	
22	Q	Okay. Going down, then, there is a legal	22	remember, we it's you know, it's you	
23		matters update, which is what you said,	23	either break even or make money. So it's not	
24		where, you know, the lawyers would update the	24	branding. This was actually telling them	
25		board about	25	here's another revenue stream.	
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1		Right. Right.	1	We had to make a lot of we had	
2		various lawsuits or legal issues, right?	2	to make a lot of changes when we were	
3		Yep.	3	cancelled in January of '21 to try and stay	
4	Q.	And then after that is the chairman's report.	4	alive.	
5		So would that be your report to the board?	5	Q. And did the decision to place advertisements	
6	A.	Yeah. Yep.	6	for MyPillow products on FrankSpeech, is that	
7	Q.	And it's typical that at a board meeting	7	a decision that the board would vote on or	
8		you'll give a report on kind of how the	8	that you would just decide and inform the	
9		company is doing?	9	board about?	
10	Α.	Right.	10	A. No. No. My no. I would make	
11	Q	. Do you see, "In July we had 40 million in	11	decisions any any platform that's out	
12		paid inventory, we currently have 54 million	12	there, we any platform that's out there,	
13		in paid inventory"?	13	we would say you know, we would advertise	
14	Α.	Yep.	14	on once they tried my MyPillow or if it was a	
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14 15 Q. It goes down to the fourth line. It says, 15 "Discussed FrankSpeech and how revenue will 16 be coming from there as having them advertise 17 18 19 20 21 A. It was -- it's a media platform that I 21 started in February of -- February or March 22

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19 A. Uh-huh. Yep.

MyPillow products." Right?

of 2021. So it's like a -- it's like a --

when they cancelled Parler, it's like -- it

was supposed to be a social media streaming

20 Q. And what is FrankSpeech?

advertising. On FrankSpeech it's a little different because you would have multiple hosts over there, multiple hosts. A lot of them already had MyPillow, but some of them didn't and -- you know...

Just like Rumble or any of these

host or if it was a platform like this.

platforms, you just -- we were just

advertising on there. It's just normal

25 Q. When you say multiple hosts who already had

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either spoke out about -- or for Donald Trump

or for Jesus Christ or for -- or against the

reasons that they were cancelled. It could

vaccine. Those were the three biggest

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Page 117 Page 119 1 MyPillow, could you explain what you mean by 1 be any one of them three. 2 2 A lot of the cancellations, they 3 3 A. Like there was podcasters that -- there were happened in 2020, but that was all about 4 podcasters prior to '21 on -- that were people that were against -- that spoke out 4 5 cancelled on YouTube. Many, many podcasters 5 against the vaccine. Many hosts lost their 6 6 had tens of thousands of followers on YouTube jobs, too, during that time. 7 7 and Facebook. They all got cancelled. They And then if you spoke out about the 8 lost their livelihood. But they were selling 8 election or you were for Donald Trump or for 9 MyPillow and other products, right? 9 Jesus Christ, those were the four biggest 10 10 But they lost their audience to reasons why people got cancelled. 11 this, so they came to FrankSpeech and to 11 There was actually over a million 12 Rumble, other platforms, where they had to 12 people in different form or another that 13 build their other platforms and build their 13 were -- 1.2 million that were part of these 14 audiences, but they still sold MyPillow prior 14 cancellations. 15 to that. 15 Q. And so one of the four that you just said 16 So now they had -- you know, we 16 were people who spoke about the election. I 17 were trying to bring audiences, you know, to 17 mean, those would be people who claimed that 18 18 FrankSpeech, bring your audience there, so the election was manipulated or fraudulent, 19 they could have the audiences they lost at 19 the November 2020 --20 20 A. Yeah. YouTube, Vimeo, Facebook, Twitter. 21 21 Q. -- US election? Many, many podcasters were 22 cancelled, so MyPillow -- you know, our 22 A. Correct. 23 revenue would go down because they lost --23 Q. And those people would also be -- were those 24 24 people also podcasters who were alleging that even Salem Media, even though they were on a 25 25 rev share, they lost their businesses or the voting machine companies were responsible Page 118 Page 120 1 they -- and -- so this was a platform. A lot for the rigging of the 2020 US election? 2 of them shifted to Rumble. 2 A. I have no idea. You would have to go through 3 3 And then we were hoping to get and check. The ones I know for sure that --4 4 many, many at FrankSpeech, but it didn't work like Emerald Robinson that came to 5 5 out in the beginning well because, you know, FrankSpeech, she got cancelled by Newsmax 6 they -- they'd come over there. You're 6 because she spoke out against the vaccine. 7 7 still -- nothing could compare to -- YouTube I guess Lou Dobbs, he got -- he 8 8 had a monopoly. I mean, just everybody at came from Fox, but that was just this year 9 YouTube. 9 before he passed away. He was -- he was 10 10 But they lost -- you know, some of speaking about election platforms going 11 them would lose 2 million followers and then 11 forward, I think. I don't know why Fox let 12 you come over here and you might have 200,000 12 him go, but I think that had something to do 13 or 100 -- or 50,000. It was just 13 with the machines, if you want an example 14 14 (indicating). But they -- you know, it was a there. 15 place for them to still advertise. 15 But podcasters, it was -- it was 16 Q. So these podcasters who you say were 16 all different reasons and I'd have to go 17 "cancelled," what was the -- why were these 17 through each one, and I don't know. I would 18 18 have to ask them. I just told you two podcasters "cancelled"? 19 19 A. Well, they were -- you would have to ask specifics that I know. 20 YouTube, Google, Facebook, Vimeo. I would 20 Q. You yourself published -- published your 21 say most of them were cancelled because they 21 movies on FrankSpeech, correct?

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22 A. No. My movies -- no. My movies went like

this: My movies were -- when the movies

first came out, we put them up on -- I put

them up on Vimeo. They would take them down

22 A. That's absolutely correct. We're going to --

and they're two separate entities and my

FrankSpeech pays MyPillow to advertise there,

just like every other company does, exactly.

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1	right away. Put them on YouTube, and they	1		It's identical. There is no favorites there,
2	left them up for two hours and cancelled it.	2		believe me.
3	Google cancelled even Googling my name. We	3	Q.	And we'll talk about the revenue-sharing
4	put them up on Rumble and they there was	4		agreement with FrankSpeech in another topic.
5	glitching.	5		Okay.
6	We put them up on this other	6	Q.	I want to move down just to the financial
7	streaming thing, which Brannon Howse had that	7		update. Who would have provided the
8	technology or that streaming company, which	8		financial update at this board meeting?
9	later on cancelled us, but that one held firm		Α.	I don't know. I don't know back then. I
10	and we streamed it from there.	10	_	have no idea.
11	As far as did we put Absolute Proof	11	Q	This is October of 2021. Do you see it says,
12	and Absolute Interference, did we put them up	12		"2020 - 355 million"? Do you know what that
13	so people could watch them there down the	13		would refer to?
14	road? Absolutely. They're still there.	14	Α.	Yep. 2020, that's 2020 gross sales
15	Q. And so those movies now, Absolute Proof,	15	_	probably.
16	Absolute Interference, the ones that are at	16		. Okay.
17	issue in this lawsuit, right, those are			I don't know.
18	published on FrankSpeech, correct?	18		. And then it says
19	A. I didn't know I didn't know they were an	19	Α.	Six months later at 162, I don't know what
20	issue, but, yeah, they're published there,	20		that means, but "2020 - 355" I don't know
21	absolutely.	21		what we took in for the year. I know 2020
22	Q. Well, you you're aware of the complaints	22		was huge because when I spoke at the Rose
23	Smartmatic filed in this lawsuit, right?	23		Garden before the before the right
24	3 ,	24		before the virus and when everything changed
25	about today, correct?	25		there, when media went way down in price when
1	Q. It's the same lawsuit, Mr. Lindell.	1		Page 124
1 2		2		we all got quarantined, that's when MyPillow that was it went up 4 or 5X.
3	A. Oh, I thought there's two different lawsuits.  I thought you sued MyPillow and you sued Mike	3		•
4	Lindell as an individual. Is that not true?	4		That was our biggest in history.
	Q. There's well, I'm not going to get into a			That was a blessing during that time, even though it was so devastating to
5	discussion about the legal framework of this	5 6		many companies, but that was because we could
6	with you. You can talk to your attorney.	7		get our ads lower priced and we were
8	But I'll tell you that there is a lawsuit	8		flourishing.
9	against Smartmatic filed against Mike	9		We also launched MySlippers, which
10	Lindell and MyPillow. It's one lawsuit	10		was huge. They that product, when we
11	A. Oh, I've got you.	11		launched that those two things were it
12		12		kind of helped make up for losing box stores,
13		13		but then it didn't last because the virus
14	to I believe yeah, I believe they're	14		went when the virus thing went down and
15	still on FrankSpeech, if that's the question.	15		the slippers the media collapsed on that.
16	I don't I don't know a hundred percent for	16		In fact, we still owe the slipper
17	sure, but I believe they're still there.	17		companies a lot of money because it went up
18	Q. And as we see here in the chairman's report,	18		and then it just came down because of all the
19	we're going to MyPillow is going to	19		attacks on MyPillow. So that it was a
20	generate revenue because FrankSpeech will be	20		complete collapse with that, too.
21	advertising MyPillow products, correct?	21	O	. Okay. But you see here it says right,
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25 A. Right.

this is October of 2021, which is after

It says, "We are up" --

January 2021, which you keep referring to?

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1	Q.	"50 percent currently and have made up the

- 2 money lost from losing retailers," right? 3 A. That was the slipper launch, right. The
- 4 slippers were huge. When we launched that,
- 5 it was so big. And then -- and then when
- 6 that -- when that collapsed -- I think to
- 7 this day we owe the slipper company \$15 8 million right now.

9 But that was huge because of the 10 slippers, you are correct. That fall when 11 the slippers launched, we could put them anywhere and it was one of our most 12

- 13 successful product launches in history.
- 14 Q. And what was the timing of the slipper 15 launch?
- A. It was about -- I believe the biggest launch 16 17 was the -- like September and -- the summer 18 of '21.
- 19 Q. And then it says, "Timing/release of 20 funds/distributions: likely end of January 21 2022."
- 22 A. Right.

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- 23 Q. So it appears at that time there was likely 24 going to be a distribution in January 2022, 25

Page 127 1 Q. -- legal update, financial update that you

- 2 would expect to see? 3 A. I guess, yeah. It looks pretty -- it looks
- 4 riaht. 5 Q. And outside of discussing these types of
- 6 issues at board meetings, do directors of 7 MyPillow have any other responsibilities?
- 8 A. Say that again. The directors on the board?
- 9 Q. Yeah. Outside of coming -- outside of
- 10 attending meetings and discussing, you know,
- 11 issues such as these, voting on board
- 12 membership, you know, distribution timing --
- 13 A. Well, you're missing another --14
  - (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
- A. There's other reports there that would 16 normally be in the minutes, which would be
- 17 the accounting report from -- there would be
- 18 here's our -- here's our books, our -- you
- 19 know, your -- you go over the -- your
- 20 financials. I mean, there's -- it seems like
- 21 this is a very small -- small one that you're
- 22 showing there, you know.
- 23 Q. I--
- 24 A. But as far as you mean people -- people on 25 the board, there's -- my son is on the board.

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A. Right. The way it looked with the slipper 1 2 sales, right. 3

We were very concerned. We lost hundreds of millions. The box stores we lost pretty much permanently, but just for that year alone I believe it was 100 and some million. But the slippers were doing so good, I kind of projected -- I go, You know what? We could be back on track to maybe get a distribution.

In 2022, though, we lost I think it was \$12 million, and then in 2023, 10 million. So there was no way there was a distribution.

The slippers -- the media collapsed mostly because of the attacks, I believe, by the cancellations and things like that. Slippers went up and then they went down and...

- 20 Q. Okay. And so looking at these board minutes 21 here, does this fairly reflect how the board 22 minutes would look for a MyPillow board
- 23 meeting, not in terms of substance, just in
- 24 terms of the issues --
- 25 A. I--

Page 128 1 He is COO. I mean, other directors that were

- 2 on there that that's their only thing, these
- 3 outside board -- like Bob Roepke on there,
- 4 that's all he did. He would just come in and
- 5 hear the board meeting and it would be 6 very -- you know, usually the board meetings
- 7 would last two to five hours, you know.
- 8 Q. I appreciate you -- your informing us that 9 this is kind of a small sample of what the
- 10 board would review. I'll tell you this is 11 what has been produced to us. So we'll be
- 12 seeking and requesting the --
- 13 A. This was --

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- (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
- 15 A. No, this was a shorter -- this was a shorter 16 meeting, it looks like. Everything is in the 17 minutes. This looks like a very short one
- 18 because -- you know, I don't know. I don't
- 19 know why. This looks like a very short
- 20 meeting compared to any other meetings we've
- 21 ever been in. I don't know how much -- you 22 know what I mean? That's all.
- 23 Q. Understood. Understood.
- 24 Okay. Mr. Lindell, I'm getting 25 ready to move to a new topic, but I see it's

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MR. FREY: The next one will be

Exhibit 730. This has Bates identifier

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1	12:15 here, 1:15 for you. It's been about an	1	DEF030746.
2	hour and 15. I would like to give everyone a	2	(Deposition Exhibit 730 was marked for identification.)
3	break and go off the record.	3	BY MR. FREY:
4	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going off	4	Q. And do you see this one, Mr. Lindell, is
5	the record 12:14 p.m.	5	MyPillow Inc. Profit & Loss January through
6	(A recess was taken.)	6	December 2021?
7	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on	7	A. Yes.
8	the record 12:47 p.m.	8	MR. FREY: Then the final one will
9	BY MR. FREY:	9	be Exhibit 731, Bates identifier 030748.
10	Q. Okay. Mr. Lindell, back on the record.	10	(Deposition Exhibit 731 was marked for identification.)
11	We're going to change topics now to topic	11	BY MR. FREY:
12	number 6, which is MyPillow's financial	12	Q. And this is MyPillow, Inc. Profit & Loss
13	statements and business performance from	13	January through December 2022. Do you see
14	January 1, 2016 to the present.	14	that?
15	What, if anything, did you do to	15	A. Yeah.
16	prepare yourself to testify as to this topic	16	Q. Mr. Lindell, looking at Exhibits 727 to 731,
17	today?	17	do you recognize these documents?
18	A. I didn't do anything to testify or to	18	A. Yes.
19	prepare. I'm I'm very knowledgeable on	19	Q. Have you seen these documents before?
20	anything you're going to ask me.	20	A. No, I don't believe so. I recognize them
21	MR. FREY: So the first thing I'm	21	what they are, yeah.
22	going to do is mark for the record various	22	Q. Okay. Do you know how these documents were
23	financial statements that have been produced	23	created?
24	to us. So the first will be Exhibit 727.	24	A. No.
25	This has a Bates identifier of 030740.	25	Q. Do you know who would keep these types of
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1	Page 130 (Deposition Exhibit 727 was marked for identification.)	1	Page 132 records for MyPillow?
2	BY MR. FREY:		A. Probably my CPA.
3	Q. And do you see this document? It's titled	3	Q. Would that be your outside accountant?
4	MyPillow, Inc. Profit & Loss	4	A. Right. Right.
5	A. Yep.	5	Q. And who is that?
6	Q January through December 2018?	6	A. I think I think this I think this gets
7	A. Yep.	7	put into QuickBooks. This would be my guess,
8	MR. FREY: The next document will	8	put into QuickBooks, and he has viewership of
9	be Exhibit 728, Bates identifier DEF030742.	9	it, as does our whosever in charge of
10	(Deposition Exhibit 728 was marked for identification.)	10	-
11	BY MR. FREY:	11	-
12	Q. Ms. Loftus put that up. Do you see this is	12	-
13	the same thing, MyPillow, Inc. Profit & Loss	13	<b>.</b>
14	January through December 2019?	14	
15	A. Yep.	15	•
16	MR. FREY: The next document,	16	
17	Exhibit 729, has Bates identifier DEF030744.	17	
18	(Deposition Exhibit 729 was marked for identification.)	18	•
19	BY MR. FREY:	19	•
20	Q. And do you see this, Mr. Lindell, is the	20	•
21	profit and loss statement January through	21	
22	December 2020?	22	
23	A. Yes.	23	•
		23	detailed

24 A. Okay.

25 Q. -- type statements.

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1 And the same question, I guess,	1 December 31, 2019, correct?
2 then for 2024. If this was just run off of	2 A. Yeah.
3 QuickBooks, would you be able to produce a	3 MR. FREY: The next one,
4 similar report for 2024?	4 Exhibit 734, is DEF030743.
5 A. I I would say that for sure 2023. I don't	5 (Deposition Exhibit 734 was marked for identification.)
6 know if 2024 has been in disarray because,	6 BY MR. FREY:
7 like I say, we've been we've switched	7 Q. MyPillow, Inc. Balance Sheet as of
8 we don't even have a controller and we've	8 December 31, 2020. Do you see that?
9 been going day by day.	9 A. Yeah.
10 And it's been so much work because	10 MR. FREY: Exhibit 735 will be
11 we borrowed everything I have had to the	11 Bates identifier DEF030745.
12 company, everything any place else we could	12 (Deposition Exhibit 735 was marked for identification.)
13 borrow money.	13 BY MR. FREY:
14 So I think the I don't know if	14 Q. This is the MyPillow, Inc. Balance Sheet as
15 all the inner company or inner things have	15 of December 31, 2021, correct?
16 been put in there or not. I don't know how	16 A. Yep.
17 accurate they would be. But I'm sure you	17 MR. FREY: The last one will be
18 could run off anything.	18 Exhibit 736, Bates identifier 030747.
19 But I think 2023 is done because I	19 (Deposition Exhibit 736 was marked for identification.)
20 know the tax return got just got finished	20 BY MR. FREY:
21 and it was a \$12 million loss, I believe.	21 Q. And this is the MyPillow, Inc. Balance Sheet
22 Q. And in terms of entering these numbers into	22 as of December 31, 2022, correct?
23 QuickBooks, are there any policies in place	23 A. Yes.
24 or procedures that MyPillow uses to make sure	24 Q. And so, again, for these balance sheet
25 that this data generated would be accurate?	exhibits, 732 through 736, do you recognize
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1	Page 137 and and that's why it took a long time to	1	Page 139 MR. KACHOUROFF: Sorry to interrupt
2	get '23 done, because of we had different	2	you, Tim.
3	controllers and different things and there	3	THE WITNESS: Okay.
4	was a lot of work put into it.	4	MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike, I told you
5	So the answer is, yes, every year.	5	we're putting Bates numbers on those and
6	Q. And who is that accountant? Who is that	6	we're going to be submitting all that to
7	outside CPA?	7	Mr. Frey.
8	A. It's Storms Storms & Alpaugh. Storms &	8	THE WITNESS: Okay. The reason I
9	Alpaugh is the name of the firm.	9	ask is because Wal-Mart is gone. I said
10	Q. We'll see something in a minute that I think	10	but Wal-Mart didn't leave until right
11	they did do for one set of the years.	11	after they left in early '22, so that
12	MR. FREY: So the next ones I want	12	was I was just curious. But yes.
13	to mark, just so we get them on the record,	13	BY MR. FREY:
14	will be the sales by customer summaries. The	14	Q. And so do you recognize these documents as
15	first one, Exhibit 737, has Bates identifier	15	something that would be, I guess, similar to
16	DEF030750.	16	the balance sheets and the P&L reports,
17	(Deposition Exhibit 737 was marked for identification.)	17	something that is maintained in, I guess,
18	BY MR. FREY:	18	QuickBooks?
19	Q. And do you see this is MyPillow, Inc. Sales	19	A. Correct.
20	by Customer Summary January through December	20	Q. And for the sales by customer, do you know
21	2018?	21	how this information is gathered?
22	A. Yes.		A. Sales by customer? Well, we're EDI
23	MR. FREY: The next one,	23	compliant. I think all the orders coming
24	Exhibit 738, will be Bates identifier	24	-
25	DEF030751.	25	and that's how this number would come about,
1	Page 138 (Deposition Exhibit 738 was marked for identification.)	1	Page 140 I would imagine.
2	BY MR. FREY:	2	Q. Okay. So those would be indirectly
3	Q. And it's a sales by customer summary for	3	A. The whole the wholesalers to
4	2019, correct?	4	the box stores I know is all a different
5	A. Yeah. Yes.	5	system. I believe it's called EDI compliant,
6	MR. FREY: Exhibit 739 will be	6	but I couldn't and that's all automated, I
7	DEF030752.	7	•
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A.	Yeah.		
Q.	Okay.	Do you recognize this document from	n

3 Storms & Alpaugh?

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5 Q. Do you -- I guess if you don't recognize it,

you don't recall ever seeing this document 6

before? 7

8 A. No, I don't. You know, maybe I did. I don't

9 recall, but that's fine.

Q. Okay. 10

MR. FREY: And then -- so we'll put

12 in the next one, which is Exhibit 742,

13 MCK01220.

14 (Deposition Exhibit 742 was marked for identification.)

15 BY MR. FREY:

16 Q. And you see this is the same? It's another

17 letter from Storms & Alpaugh and it attaches

18 financial statements for the year ended

December 31, 2023 and 2022. 19

20 A. Okay.

21 Q. Do you recall ever receiving this letter,

22 this document?

23 A. No, but I'm sure I did.

24 Q. Do you have any reason to doubt that the

25 information provided in this document was

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yeah, they went through everything for over

2 two years. It's still ongoing, so ... That's 3 why they've got millions of dollars' worth of

liens on everything I have left, which is

5 nothing, so... 6

I have no idea. It's -- all I know

7 is Storms & Alpaugh, they look at their own

8 thing. He brings up questions. He brings --9 but so there's -- the only third-party audit

10 I would think would be the IRS, if they

included MyPillow in their big witch-hunt.

12 Q. Is there anyone at MyPillow who would have

13 more knowledge as to whether MyPillow's

financials had been audited by a private

15 third party?

16 A. They never have been audited by a private

third party other than Storms & Alpaugh and

18 maybe the IRS.

19 Q. And -- but here Storms & Alpaugh is saying

20 that they didn't audit them, so I'm just

21 wondering if --

22 A. So whatever -- whatever you -- so then the

23 answer is no.

24 Q. The answer is, no, they have not been

25 subjected to an audit --

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1 provided to MyPillow, Inc.?

2 A. No, it was. It looks -- I would say a

3 hundred percent it was.

4 Q. And looking at the cover letter here, it

5 says, "The accompanying financial statements 6

of MyPillow, Inc. as and for the year ended

7 December 31, 2023 and 2022 were not subjected

8 to an audit, review, or compilation

9 engagement by us and, accordingly, we do not

10 express an opinion, a conclusion, or provide

any assurance on them."

12 Correct?

13 A. Correct.

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Q. So would this be, I guess, the same as to 14

15 what Storms & Alpaugh were doing in prior

years, where they would --

17 A. Well, let me --

18 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

Q. -- statements, but not audit them?

20 A. I have no idea. All I know is that I got an

21 IRS audit. Is that a third party?

22 Q. Is that -- was the IRS audit for yourself or

23 for MyPillow, Mr. Lindell?

24 A. I guess -- I guess it was for me. I don't

25 know if they're pulling out of MyPillow, but,

A. No.

Q. -- correct?

A. What are you suggesting here?

Q. I'm just -- I'm asking -- I'm just asking

5 questions to understand.

6 A. Understand what? You think we doctored

7 something? Just keep moving on. That's

8 fine. No, they have not been audited by a

9 third party. We're not subject to that, to

10 auditing by a third party. We have to answer

11 to the IRS that we do our books morally right

12 and a hundred percent accurate. So there.

13 Now keep going.

14 Q. The next question -- or the next line says,

15 "Management has elected to omit substantially

16 all of the disclosures ordinarily included in

17 financial statements prepared in accordance

18 with the income tax basis of accounting."

Do you see that?

20 A. Yep.

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21 Q. Do you know why management elected to omit

22 substantially all of the disclosures

23 ordinarily included in financial statements

24 prepared in accordance with the income tax --

25 A. If you --

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don't you check? Did you get one for 2016 or

20 -- I mean, did you -- I mean, I don't

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Page 145 Page 147 Q. -- basis of accounting? 1 know. I have no idea. Maybe they were 2 omitted because the IRS has those -- has this 2 A. If you ask me, this is a -- this is -- they 3 3 put this out to all their companies where stuff. I have no idea. You'd have to ask 4 4 they don't do the audit. I think it's a them. 5 canned statement, if I recall, that's --5 You know, we were in the middle of 6 6 anybody will put there. a full-blown IRS audit, so, you know, maybe 7 7 We haven't elected to omit that's the things that were omitted. I don't 8 anything, so I don't know what this means. 8 know if there was anything omitted. I don't 9 9 You'd have to ask Storms & Alpaugh. Any know what he's talking about there. You'd 10 10 have to ask him. It's the craziest thing other company --11 MR. KACHOUROFF: I'd like to lodge 11 I've ever... 12 an objection. If you read the entire 12 Q. When you received -- when MyPillow received 13 13 paragraph, I think the context is there. this from Storms & Alpaugh, did you ask what 14 THE WITNESS: Right. "Were 14 are you talking about in this sentence here? 15 included in" -- "If the omitted disclosures 15 A. I never -- I've never read this in my life 16 16 and I -- who knows who got this? Like I say, were included in the financial statement, 17 17 we had four different controllers. You guys they might influence the user's conclusion 18 about the company..." 18 might be the only ones that got it in 19 19 So I don't -- I have no idea what discovery. I have no idea. That that's put 20 on our tax returns, I have no idea. 20 they're talking about there. You'd have to 21 21 Q. This wouldn't be something that the board of ask Storms & Alpaugh. We give them 22 everything every year. I have had the same 22 directors would review in the course of its 23 23 duties? accountant. Here you go. So I don't know what this means and 24 24 THE WITNESS: Kendra -- hold on. 25 25 I don't know what -- what -- omitting what, I My wife is here. Page 146 Page 148 1 have no idea. Maybe that's a third-party 1 What? 2 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Your food is audit. So maybe that's what he's talking 3 3 about. right --4 4 BY MR. FREY: THE WITNESS: Okay. That's fine. 5 5 Q. Do you know why these -- these were created Okay. Thank you, honey. 6 by Storms & Alpaugh, these Exhibits 741 and 6 What's the question now? 7 7 742? BY MR. FREY: 8 A. I have no idea. Ask them. I have no idea. 8 Q. My question was whether these would be 9 Q. Well, you're -- you're the representative of 9 something, financial statements such as 10 10 MyPillow and they're the financial statements these --11 for MyPillow. So why did --11 MR. FREY: And, Julie, can you 12 A. Yeah. 12 scroll down so Mr. Lindell can see the 13 Q. -- MyPillow submit these documents to an 13 statements themselves? 14 14 Q. -- would be reviewed by the board of outside accountant and have them prepare the 15 15 directors in the course of, you know, financial statements? 16 A. He's our -- he's our CPA. He does all our 16 fulfilling their duties? 17 tax returns for everybody that -- pretty much 17 A. Yeah, the board -- we get these reports at everyone in the company. He does our our board of directors meeting, I believe, 18 18 19 19 company. I don't know what you're asking me. absolutely. These are financial reports that 20 Q. I'm just asking you the reason these 20 would come in. 21 documents were created. 21 Q. And these are the type of financial reports 22 A. I have no idea. You'd have to ask Storms & 22 that would be reviewed by the board at the 23 23 Alpaugh. I have absolutely no idea. Why meetings when they occur?

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. So I wanted to get all of these on the

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1 records just on the record just so we can	1 A. Because it would have to be it would have
2 be more facile.	2 to be those two years.
3 I want to talk now about the profit	3 So this is '20. What's on the
4 and loss statements. So let's look at	4 right there? I'm trying to get over.
5 Exhibit 730, which is the profit and loss	5 Whoops. Hold on. Sorry. So that was 220.
6 statement for 2021, and first I just want to	6 What was the one in 2021?
7 get an understanding or shared understanding	7 BY MR. FREY:
8 of the terms.	8 Q. It was 272 million.
9 So if you see on the left-hand side	9 A. Right, right. So the so the slipper
10 there, one of the the fourth one down is	10 launch was a little bigger than the virus,
11 gross profit. Do you see that?	11 but they're both pretty close.
12 A. Yeah.	12 But, yeah, this the 2021 would
13 Q. And do you understand gross profit to mean	be the biggest because it was these two years
the amount made from sales after subtracting	14 with those two things happening. That
15 the costs of goods sold?	15 definitely was amazing.
16 A. Yes.	16 So go ahead.
17 Q. And in this statement here it's shown on a	17 Q. And when and when did you say the slipper
18 monthly basis, correct, what the gross	18 launch occurred?
19 profit	19 A. It was in '21, I believe. I believe it was
20 A. That's correct.	20 like it could've been actually you know
21 Q would be	21 what? I take it back. I think it was
22 A. Right.	22 December of '20 or November it was right
23 Q. And then if you go all the way over to the	23 before Christmas of 2020. I could check on
24 right, you'll see there is a total for the	24 that.
25 calendar year denoted?	25 But that's when it was, right
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1 A. That's correct. Right.	1 before it was right before the election,
2 Q. So this document would say that for 2021,	2 actually, when the slippers launched because
3 MyPillow had a gross profit of \$272,249,982,	3 the summer of '20 they had problems because
4 correct?	4 we couldn't have they had stuff that was
5 A. Yes.	5 made made overseas and there was problems
6 Q. And isn't it true that this is the highest	6 with the fur. That was the summer of '20.
7 gross profit MyPillow experienced between the	7 And then we couldn't get because of the
8 time period 2018 through 2024?	8 virus, they got stuck out with ships. So

- 9 A. I don't know. I don't know. I would --
- 10 probably either that or 2020 when the --
- 11 because when the -- that's when --
- 12 when everything went up, two things happened:

13 Our -- when the virus came in, I 14 told you we went up about 3 to 4X and it 15 stayed there and then we launched the

16 slippers. 17 So my guess is you're probably 18 correct between those two things. It 19 could've been either 2020 or 2021 with the 20 slippers launch going into 20 -- or in '21.

- 21 It was either '20 or '21, and I don't have
- 22 the -- if you have the ones for '20, then I
- 23 could say yes. Do you have the ones for '20?
- 24 Q. Yeah, we'll pull up -- let's pull up the ones
- 25 for 2020, which is Exhibit --

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- 9 they arrived, I believe, October of '20.
- 10 So -- yep, that's when it was, and
- 11 it was -- it just -- it took -- it set the
- 12 world on fire. It was awesome. They were
- 13 buying slippers like crazy.

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14 Actually, we had some delay. They

- 15 didn't get here until -- I believe until
- 16 January of '21. Sizes were delayed because
- 17 ships were stuck out to sea. And I just went
- 18 over this with the slipper people.
  - So, yeah, there was -- so that
- 20 would coincide with -- with -- the virus was
- 21 first and then the slippers were launched, I
- 22 believe, October because they were delayed.
- 23 And the ships were delayed until -- some of
- 24 them didn't even get here to fulfill orders
- 25 and stuff for people ordering until January,

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2 And then we ordered sandals and	the higher price for those ships, which I
3 those also got delayed, but we did get those	3 believe was I would have to find the
4 in, all-season slippers, the summer of '21.	4 timing on that.
5 So so, yeah, that would be	5 So there is a lot of variables that
6 those would be our biggest two years by far.	6 go into the gross profit, so Price
7 Q. Okay. And so those were first first	7 point
8 launched in October 2020 and then the	8 Q. Yeah. So if we look at
9 shipment came in early the next year and then	9 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
10 they were in the	10 Q. If we look at
11 A. Yeah. They got really big in going into	11 A. Go ahead.
12 '21. We've it was we were missing	12 Q. If we look at the gross profit, then, for
13 (indiscernible) there was stuff we were	on a month-over-month basis, January it's
14 missing, so we couldn't go as broad as we	14 about
wanted to in November October, November,	15 MR. FREY: Can you slide over?
16 December of '20.	16 BY MR FREY:
17 And then and then you had	17 Q January it's about 16 million.
18 January, February, March of '21. The spring	18 A. Uh-huh.
19 of '21 got really big. But December or in	19 Q. And then February of 2021 it goes up to
20 2020 they were big, too, when they first	20 42.6 million, right?
21 launched. And slippers	21 A. Right. Yeah.
22 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)	22 Q. And then March is back down at 21 million?
23 A. Slippers went strong for slippers went	23 A. Uh-huh. Right.
24 strong. They lasted about I believe about	24 Q. And then it looks like it stays at April
25 a year, over a year, which is really long for	is, I guess, 13 million or 13.7 million,
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1 a product to last and not start fatiguing.	1 right?
2 Q. So the slippers were part of the gross	2 A. Right.
3 profits for that year kind of throughout the	3 Q. And then
4 year 2021?	4 A. And that would be and then it went back up
5 A. Oh, yeah. And then when they came in, yeah,	5 to 24.
6 they were big. I mean, they and they	6 So like in April, my guess, if I
7 were and we were getting realize that	7 looked into it, we probably had to change
8 we were getting \$70 for a pair, and then as	8 the slippers starting fatiguing because now
9 things fatigue you start lowering the price,	9 you're into April. It's typically a winter
10 putting them on sale.	10 product.
11 So you're going to see a pretty big	And then we were waiting to get the
12 increase in gross profit. That would explain	12 all-season ones in. So by May we were able
like going going into '21 and late 2020,	to correct itself and because now we have
14 your gross profits would go up because of the	14 the all-season slippers.
price point we had on slippers was higher.	15 So you jumped up about it looks
16 So you have a your gross	like from about 13 to 24. That's a big jump.
17 profit because your product cost was	17 That's cool. Yep.
18 really good, but then we did have we did	18 Q. Yeah. And but in February, right, it's

So they -- when you -- you had that problem, so the gross profit would go down.

have problems because ships then were \$25,000 | 19

a container and they used to be 5,000,

with -- that was everybody's problem, not

because of the shipping problems that we had

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just MyPillow.

25 majority of them got here with the other

right. That's when all the slippers -- the

23 A. Right. That's when all the slippers --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

42, which is --

21 A. That's when all the --

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Page 157 Page 159 sizes in February. 1 jump, from 7, to 14, to 34. 2 So our profit margin is better when 2 You've got to do your commercials, 3 you have cost of goods sold, you know. and the stuff I do -- and it depends on our 4 They -- you can just see the pattern when it product launch there. That's the way --5 just fatigues and then we launched the MyPillow has always built on here's your all-season in May, you know. 6 6 product launch, what you paid for it. 7 Q. But it never jumps as high as that 7 Just because -- I'll give an 8 42 million, right, which is about 13 million 8 example. Just like Fox -- let's say Fox, 9 higher than any other month -we'll use Fox for an example. Just because a 10 A. Yeah, that was --10 product is successful, it might only be 11 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 11 successful at buying 500,000 dollars' worth 12 A. Like I say, people waited -- people waited a 12 of media because you've got to at least do a long time for them slippers, though. I mean, 13 13 break-even, which is like a 1.6, depending on 14 there was a big demand. That was our 14 the product. 15 number-one product. I mean, it just overtook 15 If you have a product that has a 16 everything. They were -- people loved the good product cost, like those slippers, you 16 17 slippers. can expand on the media. You can buy a lot 18 Q. February 2021 is also when you published your more media, like on Fox, ABC. 18 19 Absolute Proof movie, correct? 19 When you get to broadcast, which is 20 A. Yeah, but I didn't do any advertising in it. 20 every city, like ABC, CBS, NBC, you get into 21 There was no MyPillow advertising for my --21 that and then the sky is the limit. You can 22 for Absolute Proof. They had nothing to do 22 open it up more. 23 with that. MyPillow had nothing to do with 23 But you're not going to buy media 24 Absolute Proof. There were no ads. That was 24 at a loss, so I'm not -- and plus you've 25 a movie that I put out myself as Mike got -- it's how much you can get in, how much Page 158 Page 160 1 Lindell. It had nothing to do with MyPillow. can you get in. 2 2 There wasn't any advertising on Absolute When you are making your product 3 Proof, that's for sure. And there was --3 that comes from overseas, now you've got to do a balancing act. With MyPillows -- and 4 absolutely zero. 5 Q. We'll come back -- we'll come back to that. you've got to be able to make enough. 6 I just wanted to confirm that this February 6 So when you're buying -- I'll give

I just wanted to confirm that this February
2021 is your highest month of gross profit, I
think, for the time period we have financial
statements, for any time, correct?

10 A. Right.

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11 Q. That's right? Okay.

12 A. Well, for this, what I am looking at here for
13 2021, correct. I mean, if you went back to
14 2020 to see when the virus -- why don't we go
15 to 2020 here. I want to check something.

Usually you can find out the reason why. It's either a product launch or -- so if we go to -- you see where it jumped to 33? In March -- you've got a jump in February from 7 to March of 14.

When -- with the 33 million, that's when I say I did more advertising on TV and I cut back on my -- on radio. This was right at the start of the virus. So that's very -- that jumped up to 34 million. That's a big

7 an example. Like the MySlippers, where it -8 normally -- the product right before that, I
9 don't know what it was, let's say it was the
10 My -- the mattress topper or whatever it was,
11 when that fatigued, now at that time you
12 might only be able to buy 200,000 dollars'
13 worth of media that does a break-even, which
14 means it takes in 350. That's including
15 product costs and everything.

With the slippers, when they came
out, we were doing 3s, 4s. It was crazy
numbers, but then as you expanded out and
bought more media, that number reduces down
to maybe a 2 to 1. And when it starts
fatiguing, you can only buy X amount of
media.

Every media reacts differently.
So -- like right now as we sit here this
morning, we only have one product out right

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Page 161 1 now, our new mattress topper, so I can only 2 buy 300,000 dollars worth of media and it 3 barely breaks even right now because that's 4 such -- with MyPillow.

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So that's why you see our gross thing -- everything down now is because of we -- the time of the year right now, too, in August, but also because you can only buy X amount. We go up and down by our products, what we pay to get our ads, and what we get for our return.

So when you see this jump there, that's very explainable there. And just like the one in '21 with the My -- with the MySlipper launch, you have two changes there. We hadn't launched a product like MySlippers ever. That was two years in the making, by the way, with the impact and everything that went into it.

20 Q. Mr. Lindell, I think -- you started talking 21 about the jump in April of 2020 and you said 22 that was tied to changing the kind of 23 marketing platforms you were using?

24 A. No. You were able -- no. You were able to 25 buy more media on -- on TV.

Page 163 There were times we spent 2, 3 million dollars a week and buying every ad we could because it was like if you've got -if you give someone \$10 and they're going to give you \$20 back, it was gold.

6 Plus our product cost was pretty 7 good -- well, it wasn't good in the beginning because it took -- it was like 20-some dollars to make a MyPillow, but we were getting 60 or 70 dollars for it. So, I mean, 11 it's a balancing act there.

13 I'll give an example. When MyPillow 2.0 came 14 out, which was a year ago, when MyPillow 15 2.0 -- we launched that in January of '23. 16 We were so desperate because we're 17 hemorrhaging money everywhere. The box 18 stores had cancelled. The -- you couldn't 19 get -- nothing was working.

And they -- when -- like when --

20 And we came out with MyPillow 2.0. 21 Now, I expected that to last over a year, and 22 it lasted four months. So for four months we actually -- you know, we were able to buy media and get a return on it. 25 If a commercial doesn't make a

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So whatever products we had then, I 1 believe the products then was the -- I think 3 it was the MyMattress Topper. We couldn't 4 buy MyPillow -- very little of MyPillow

5 because it had ran for so long.

6 So let's say -- in April what 7 happened was because the -- when -- when all of media, ABC, NBC, they all dropped their 9 prices for ads, where before -- now I could 10 buy more ads.

Instead of buying 300,000 a week, I 12 was able to buy \$2 million in one week, which 13 produces 4 million or 5 million in sales.

14 You understand, it's all about what you pay 15 and what you get back.

So there was more 300 batters then, 17 you know, and I took advantage of that. I 18 bought -- I said, Buy it all. We're going 19 to -- like when MyPillow first came out in 20 2014, when I got that one-minute commercial 21 to work, I bought everything in the country.

22 I mean everything. And then we found out 23 what didn't work and what worked. There was

24 very few that didn't work. So you bought

25 everything.

Page 164 1 break-even, you flush it down the toilet.

You don't hope that it gets more the more it's seen. No. You take it and you flush it, whatever it costs you to make that commercial. If it -- and it happens all the time, we make a new commercial.

MyPillow 2.0, which was the man in the mirror. You open it up and you go, Megan, Megan, he's back. We made that commercial. It was very expensive to make, but it was successful. We were able to buy ads.

We had a profitable month then in -- I believe it was March of '23, where we took in -- we made like a couple million dollars in profit and -- but then that fatigued.

And now if you can't buy media, your -- your sales go down because we don't have the box stores anymore for that --

21 Q. Mr. Lindell --

22 A. We lost those channels. Right.

23 Q. So I believe you were talking about the spike 24 there in April of 2020, right?

And isn't -- is it true that also

24 turned its back on God.

So, you know, I don't know what

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1	at March 30th, 2020 you appeared in the Rose	1	you I don't know what you want to say
2	Garden with President Trump to discuss the	2	about that.
3	response to the Corona virus? Just yes or	3	Q. Have you ever attributed, you know,
4	no.	4	supporting President Trump or appearing with
	A. Right. And what we were doing with our we	5	President Trump to an increase in your
6	were making masks at the time and we turned	6	business?
7	MyPillow over to making masks, and that was	7	A. No. It's been it's been loss, loss, loss.
8	at the same time almost the same time when	8	You know, do I look back and say would I
9	they switched when everybody was going	9	change anything? I wouldn't change anything,
10	into quarantine.	10	but they it's hurt MyPillow beyond
11	And but, yeah, I spoke there	11	anything you could imagine.
12	then and I was attacked for one week. One	12	But this is me. My personally out
13	week straight I did 109 interviews. I was	13	here, I think that this is something much
14	attacked by every outlet in the country	14	bigger and that's my that's my
15	because I mentioned God from the Rose Garden.	15	relationship with Jesus Christ and my
16	Q. And at that same time you had a big spike in	16	evangelism that I'm out there doing.
17	gross profits, right?	17	And I'm not going to I'm not
18	• • • •	18	going to change personally what I believe in,
19	coincided with the China virus, with the I	19	where our country is at, where Donald Trump
20	mean with the virus. So, you know, yeah, we	20	is at, and where and you guys all know
21	spiked, but we we half our company was	21	that. You've all seen me out there.
22	making masks. Yeah. Our direct sales spiked	22	You know, people say to me all the
23	at that time, and that was but you've got	23	time, Don't you feel bad you've destroyed
24	to realize you've got to realize what I	24	MyPillow because of people out there? I go,
25	had already done is shut down radio.	25	You know what? I'm not going to change what
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1	So this is the weeks prior. I shut	1	I believe in my I listen to I pray
2	down radio. I called all the radio in the	2	about what I do and I do it as an individual,
3	country and turned them off, and then I	3	and I'm not going to change on things that I
4	started buying ads.	4	see with my own eyes.
5	We bought all ads on your TV	5	Just like when I I met Donald
6	because the prices went down. They went down	6	Trump personally. No one is going to tell me
7	already in mid-March. We were already	7	back then just because the media attacked
8	preparing, because you're buying ads out in	8	me and they attacked MyPillow because I
9	front of this.	9	backed Donald Trump, you know, because I
10	And now, was it good that it	10	thought he would make a good president,
11	coincided with me speaking there about I	11	that's just wrong. And that's just me as an
12	don't know. It upset half or half the	12	individual.
13	people half the media was upset. The	13	Why they attacked MyPillow back
14	other ones were saying it's good.	14	then? It was just disgusting. Kind of like
15	You know, I was just telling	15	right here, to be honest with you.
16	that's the one time publicly they wanted	16	Q. Mr. Lindell, I want to put up a new exhibit
17	you know, they wanted they invited me	17	for you.
18	there to talk about that MyPillow was	18	MR. FREY: This will be Exhibit
19	turned over their company to making masks,	19	let me try to find it 743.
20	before I knew they didn't work, to the	20	(Deposition Exhibit 743 was marked for identification.)
21	country. And I decided I did that on my	21	BY MR. FREY:
22	own, saying what people should be doing	22	Q. And this is a screen capture of an article
23	getting back in the Word in a nation that	23	published in Business Insider, "MyPillow Guy

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Final Days."

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1	Do you have you seen this
2	article before? Do you recognize this
3	article?

- 4 A. They do hit jobs on me every day. I can't
- 5 read them all. Every day stuff comes out,
- 6 every single day. Look at last week.
- 7 Attorney General of Minnesota just attacked
- 8 my charities, Lindell Recovery Network. This
- 9 is not new to me.
- 10 Q. Well, so if we go to page --
- 11 A. You're really going to show some fake news
- 12 article here? This is bizarre. Go ahead.
- 13 Q. So this section is titled, "Trump has helped14 sales grow 'off the charts." Do you see15 that?
- 16 A. Yeah, I see that.
- 17 Q. Then it says, "For the past four years
- Lindell's support for Trump has seemed to only help MyPillow's sales." Correct?
- 20 A. Who -- who wrote that?
- 21 Q. This is a Business Insider article. We can
- 22 get --
- 23 A. They attack me all the time. They attack me
- all the time. So what are you saying there?
- 25 Q. So if we go down, there's --

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- 1 you back Trump, you're going to be -- you're
- 2 going to be boycotted and attacked. Did I
- 3 lose half -- like Springer said back then,
- 4 You're going to lose half our business. I5 don't know.
- 6 I just -- you know, I didn't
- 7 advertise -- CNN left about two years into
- 8 that because their ads got higher priced than
- 9 what I could pay, but I still advertised on
- 10 CNN and MSNBC, if you are talking about 11 political.
- 12 I always kept MyPillow separate.
- 13 When they would do these things and say --
- 14 you know, when Fox would get boycotted,
- 15 everyone would leave but MyPillow and they're
- 16 going -- you know, when the host would say
- 17 something. Same way -- and I said, Well, I
- 18 still advertise on CNN and they badmouthed me
- 19 directly for backing Trump.
- 20 So I just kept -- MyPillow was kept
- 21 separate. Now, did I say this myself? I 22 might have. You know. I -- because in
- 22 might have. You know, I -- because in
- 23 reality MyPillow was separate. I didn't -- I
- 24 did not advertise on CNN or Fox because of
- 25 political reason.

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- 1 A. What's the date of this article? What's the2 date of this article?
- 3 Q. January 21st, 2021.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. And do you see a quote from you here at the
- 6 top of the next page, "'By me backing Donald
- 7 Trump, my business is probably up...l can't
- 8 even say -- 300 percent,' Lindell said.
- 9 'It's just off the charts where he's taken
- it, because I believed in this president andso does the public."
- 12 Do you see that?
- 13 A. Yep.
- 14 Q. And do you dispute that you gave this quoteto Business Insider?
- 16 A. If it was -- if it was -- if it was then, I
- don't know. I guess when I looked at -- whenI looked at '16, '17, '18, '19, I guess up to
- 19 '20 -- up to '20, you know, that would be --
- you know, I can't dispute because we did
- 21 increase. I don't think it hurt -- hurt us.
- You know, would it have been --would it have been -- I guess I was trying to
- say they're going -- they're trying to make other businesses, oh, because you -- boy, if

MyPillow -- in fact, there is a

- 2 quote out there I did with -- I would make
- 3 the decision to put ads where they worked.
- 4 It didn't matter if you're CNN, MSNBC, Fox
- 5 News, ABC, who attacks me all the time
  - directly, CBS, NBC. It didn't matter.
- MyPillow made decisions based onwhere their money -- you put it in here and
  - if it worked. Those are business decisions
- 10 made at MyPillow.
- Now, we're here -- out here
- 12 defending myself to news business going, oh,
  - 3 you probably lost money over there because of
- 4 Donald Trump. I don't think it hurt us up to
- 15 that point.
- But did it hurt that the ads went up on CNN, the prices went up? I don't know
- 18 if that was because of politics or not,
- 19 because they got really -- their viewership
- 20 went up.
- 21 And like Rachel Maddow, it went up 22 to \$36,000 for a one-minute ad. I couldn't
- 23 advertise on MSNBC at those prices anymore24 representing MyPillow.
- 25 So in that respect, you know, it

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Page 173 1 hurt us, where MyPillow couldn't advertise in 2 certain places anymore because of the price 3 of ads. 4 Now, did I say this to them? I 5 don't know. Business Insider, they write 6 stuff and twist stuff all the time, as they 7 all do about me. So, you know, is that 8 something I might have said? Absolutely, 9 it's something I might have said. 10 Q. So you may have attributed --11 A. Not --

- 12 Q. -- MyPillow growth in sales to --
- 13 A. What?
- 14 Q. -- Donald Trump, agreed?
- A. No, that's not true. I would not -- I would not say -- that's not one bit true. Did I 16 17 say it there, that it grew? Let's see.
- 18 "Lindell said sales grew through Trump's time
- 19 in office." They did. Was it because of
- 20 Donald Trump? No, it wasn't because of
- 21 Donald Trump. If they --
- 22 Q. Is that --

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- 23 A. That quote there that -- I told them sales 24 grew, that it didn't hurt me. That's what I 25 said, which is a true statement.

No. We went up in sales. 1

2 But there is a lot of reasons for that, a lot of reasons, because he took off

regulation, taxes were lowered. There is a

lot of reasons that -- the import/export

thing he did, the deals he made with Canada

helped us huge, which I had to deal directly

with Trudeau up there. We ended up putting a

plant up there because of what Donald Trump

10 and Trudeau went back and forth on.

So did it help MyPillow's business?

12 Yeah. Did it -- because Mike Lindell went

13 out there and said he's a great president? I

don't know if that would help, unless you go

along with the great things he did to help

MyPillow. 16

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17 But I know it did hurt some things. 18 Where it hurt was I couldn't buy ads -- about

into 2018, I couldn't buy them on CNN and

20 MSNBC because they got too high-priced

21 because everybody was watching those channels

22 attacking Donald Trump. So we couldn't

23 buy -- MyPillow couldn't buy ads anymore

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They were trying to do an article that if you back Trump, your business is

going to go down the tubes. And it didn't.

4 Donald Trump made great decisions as president that actually helped MyPillow,

regulations and stuff, tax cuts, everything.

7 Did that -- those were the 8 questions that this Business Insider -- that 9 they would ask me, but they would try and 10 twist it, you know.

I'm going -- the question there was 12 backing Donald Trump. I said when Donald 13 Trump was in power, everybody's businesses 14 and people's lives improved because the guy 15 made good decisions then to help businesses,

16 and that's what -- that was the -- this

17 article, I'm reading it now. That's what 18 they're asking me.

19 Anybody that says, I've got a 20 business and, boy, I'm going to back Donald 21 Trump and they don't do anything, that would

22 be the dumbest thing in history. 23 The stuff that these creeps ask me 24 all the time at like Business Insider, did 25 Donald Trump's time in office hurt MyPillow?

Page 174 1 '21 -- up until -- through '20, absolutely, 2 MyPillow went up during those times, but it

wasn't because Mike Lindell was out there

saying Donald Trump is a good president. It was because of things he did, his

administration did.

And I think all of your lives watching here -- if you go to December of 2019, when gas prices were \$1.89, you guys realize what's been done since then. Every business in this country, including MyPillow, it's hurt them because of shipping prices.

Shipping has destroyed -- just like I told you, in February of '21 -- when all our slippers came in, one of the things that's probably not on there is those \$25,000 container costs, which would have took that gross profit down to probably junk mail, if I really go back and look, because now we've since had to look back with the slipper company. Where containers we paid 3,000 for, we had to pay \$25,000 a container --

- 23 Q. Mr. Lindell --
- 24 A. -- for those slippers.

So there's your answer.

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believe in the product. Had nothing to do

code is at that time. They have to be

with -- we don't ask them what their promo

vetted. Even a lot of the TV or radio, they

have to use the product and believe in it.

I would never want anybody out

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1	Page 177 Q. And, Mr. Lindell, just in the paragraph you	1	Page 179 there selling MyPillow stuff that didn't
2	skipped over there, it says, "According to	2	believe in it, because I want to help them
3	Lindell, promotion codes that reference		I want to help them it's a lot better when
4	Trump, which the CEO says are not picked by	4	you are believing in the product you're
5	MyPillow, tend to drive significantly higher	5	selling.
6	sales than traditional codes." Right?	6	So if they come to us. Let's say
7	A. Those codes let me just tell you:	7	it's I'll give an example. You want to
8	Whatever was said there when they're asking	8	talk politics? The View. The View, we were
9	about those promo codes, those every	9	their number-one product in history. If you
10	podcaster in the country, they pick their own	10	guys know anything about The View, when you
11	codes.	11	talk politics, they are very far left. So
12	Let's say it's Eric. Like Eric	12	The View, we're their number-one one-minute
13	Metaxas picks Eric. Some people like	13	commercial ever, ever.
14	Diamond and Silk, I believe they had a code	14	Now, did they leave us because of
15	called Trump I don't know Trump 1 or	15	politics? Yeah, they cancelled us, too. So
16	whatever.	16	they you know, they cancelled us and they
17	They are all picked. They pick	17	decided their number-one product ever sold
18	their own codes for their own podcasts and	18	in The View's history, they decided to leave
19	their own show. They have been doing this	19	it because because of MyPillow's CEO
20	since 2011. That has nothing to do with	20	happens to like a president. He picks his
21	Donald Trump.	21	own president, that I met with him and got to
22	Now, they so I don't know	22	meet the guy and believe in the guy.
23	just where do you see the codes there?	23	So there's an example of a
24	No MyPillow had no codes that they picked	24	podcaster cancelling MyPillow and hurting
25	that said anything to do with politics, one	25	MyPillow because of politics, and that's a
1	Page 178 hundred percent.	1	Page 180 shame.
2	Our codes on anything that we have		Q. So, Mr. Lindell, I understand your and you
3	directly were all like your "my" codes, your	3	may have said this to Business Insider about,
4	if it's CNN, CNN 22, CNN 62. Has nothing	4	you know, supporting Donald Trump has
5	to do with Donald Trump.	5	increased sales, but you dispute
6	And there was maybe four codes out	6	A. No, I didn't say
7	there, and I know Diamond and Silk had one.	7	(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
8	A guy named David Harris had one. I think	8	Q taken out of context
9	his code was Trump 2020, maybe. I don't	9	A. I said what I said was it didn't hurt our
10	know. I'd have to look back. But these	10	sales and MyPillow sales went up during that
11	codes were picked by them and that's their	11	time. A lot of it was because of his
12	deal, Patriot TV, Patriot 62 or whatever it	12	policies, getting gas prices down.
13	would be.	13	Are you kidding me? It wasn't
14	Q. Right, but MyPillow chooses where where to	14	because people vote people bought more
15	place its advertisements, correct, even if	15	pillows because their CEO backs Donald Trump.
16	they don't pick what the promo code is?	16	That's complete bizarreness. If that would
	A. No. They come to us. They come to us and	17	be the case, it would have probably went
18	we like if it's a podcaster, I told you we	18	down.
19	have to give them the product. They have to	19	But to offset that, the good

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policies he put into place to help

businesses, all businesses, and get gas

prices lower, MyPillow flourished during

those years, like every other business in the

Did it hurt that the CEO backed

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1	Page 181	1	me.
2	Donald Trump? Absolutely, it probably hurt	2	-
	that because the Better Business Bureau, a		And I'm going, Why? Why should
3	good example, took us from an A plus to an F	3	that have any bearing on MyPillow, when I
4	and they told me straight out it was	4	went and met this guy and I'm out there doing
5	political. So that's a fact.	5	a rally, so to speak, you know, doing a
6	So and just like	6	rally?
7	Q. Mr. Lindell	7	You know, it's we shouldn't lose
8	A the media attacking me just like the	8	half of our business or these people because
9	media attacked me and called brings up my	9	I back a person that I believe in.
10	past drug addiction and stuff when I backed	10	Q. So, Mr. Lindell, I want to look at another
11	Donald Trump.	11	exhibit here, which will be Exhibit 744.
12	So you've got	12	This is Bates stamped DEF082645.
13	Q. Mr. Lindell, taking former President Trump	13	(Deposition Exhibit 744 was marked for identification.)
14	out of the equation, would you agree that	14	BY MR. FREY:
15	appearing publicly and being in the news	15	Q. And this is a print-out of a text message
16	would help MyPillow sales, you, Mike Lindell,	16	chain. So do you see at the top there
17	being in the news would help MyPillow sales?	17	there's two phone numbers?
18	A. No. No. No, not at all. That's not true at	18	A. Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. To my
19	all. It's just like when I'll give you a	19	son?
20	perfect example. When I'm on the cover of	20	Q. Yeah. Do you recognize this as your son's
21	The Enquirer, this former crack addict, they	21	phone number and your phone number?
22	show a mugshot of me and they're interviewing	22	A. Yep.
23	me and attacking me, no, that does not help	23	Q. And do you see it says there is a date in
24	at all. It would depend what you are talking	24	the middle there, January 20th, 2021?
25	about.	25	A. Okay.
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1	Did it help when MyPillow appeared	1	Q. All right.
2	when we gave 80 or 3 million dollars'	2	A. Yep.

when we gave 80 -- or 3 million dollars 3 worth of pillows to Hurricane Harvey back 4 when they would report us on Fox, when they 5 would actually talk about us on Fox or on CNN 6 and say, Look at MyPillow, look it, they're 7 giving all these products away? Well, the last time I did it in 8 9 September of '22, all they did was attack me.

11 we had left to things. It depends. 12 Back then, when I would be -- if I 13 made an appearance there, did that help when 14 we would be in the news about that? Sales

15 wouldn't go up. They'd go, Oh, MyPillow,

10 They didn't say about us donating everything

16 they're giving away pillows.

17 But you wouldn't see a spike for 18 giving away -- maybe you would. It would be short-lived, short-lived that MyPillow 20 gave -- helped out Hurricane Harvey.

21 I mean, it happens all the time, 22 you know, where if there's negative press,

23 Mike Lindell backs Donald Trump -- when they

24 all went in with that, that hurts. That

25 would hurt back then when they would attack

3 Q. I'm scrolling down to the second page of

this, which I guess starts on -- moves over 5 to -- oh, no, same day. Top of the second

6 page.

7 A. Right.

Q. So you're talking to your son about the 9 wedding and stuff and then you say, "Almost 10 10K orders already today, smiley face."

11 Do you see that?

12 A. Yep.

13 Q. And then he responds later. He says, "38,000 14

orders yesterday. Shattered every record."

15 Right?

16 A. Right. Right.

17 Q. You say, "4.6 million. Who said being crazy in the news isn't good?" Right? 18

19 A. Right. Yep.

20 Q. So in some sense you have attributed being in

21 the news to --

22 A. No. Let me -- let me put that in context.

23 My son is a liberal, and he was so upset with

24 me when -- this is after the White House

25 picture when I brought the evidence to Donald

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Page 185 Page 187 Trump that was under a gag order by a guy wrote -- I typed that. But there is a 2 named Dennis Montgomery. 2 reason. 3 And I needed to get this signed, 3 He is very left and he very much and lawyers gave me a sealed envelope, which was against anything showing up at the White 4 they said if you get to meet with him, please House with martial law papers, which I had to 6 give him these recommendations. 6 explain to him that they weren't mine. 7 As you all know, I'm sure you're 7 And if you ever depose him, he will 8 very familiar, when I came out of the White tell you, he was against anything I've done 9 House when I was outside the back talking to for -- out there as my individual self out 10 my son Darren, that had been opened. I had there because, you know, he will tell you how 11 never read those papers to this day. And the bad it's decimated MyPillow by me doing that. 11 12 Washington Post took that picture from a 12 And he was -- that was me saying, 13 quarter mile away and it said "martial law" 13 Oh, I didn't know. I wasn't even there, by 14 on there. I never read those papers. the way. So I'm out there. I wasn't even at 15 And when that happened -- and that 15 MyPillow hearing that. I'm going, okay, 16 that's good, but did you hear about this and 16 was the number-one story in the world, and 17 everybody attacking MyPillow from that point. 17 this and this and what was done with 18 And Darren was so upset with me. So I'm 18 computers and our elections and China going -- he goes, What, are you nuts? He was 19 attacking? And you guys know that this is 20 very, very upset. 20 what all happened during that time. 21 21 So my comment to him there is: You Was there a spike that day by the 22 know what? You can call it crazy, but who 22 public? Yeah. Did it last? No. We lost 23 said it -- be happy that at least the sales 23 everything we've had, hundreds of millions of 24 are coming in. And those sales did spike 24 dollars. 25 during that time as we were losing box stores 25 My company -- as I sit here before Page 186 Page 188 and everything else. 1 you today, I've got nothing left in the 1 2 2 But my focus was on saving this world, period, because of me standing for our 3 3 country because I had gotten the evidence country and wanting to go to paper ballots 4 4 that showed machine and computer hand counted. 5 manipulation, which explained to me Q. In either event, the sales did go up after 6 everything from November and December that I 6 7 went out on my own and said, Hey, why are all 7 A. Correct. For about, what, four days maybe. 8 8 these people that voted -- that voted and I don't know. During that time --9 didn't live in the county, just like --9 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 10 A. And that was also -- that was also the -- it 10 LA County in California? I'm going all these 11 people voted here that don't live in the 11 was the slipper time, too. So, you know --12 county. That's a crime. How could that -- I 12 but did it spike that day? Absolutely. 13

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13 just couldn't imagine people running into 14 LA County going, hey, or running into this 15 state and saying, hey, let's go vote for 16 Biden. It didn't make sense to me. 17 I was given evidence on 18 January 9th, and you all know about it, by 19 Dennis Montgomery. I was given this 20 evidence. I had to get -- it was under a government gag order and it needed to be 21 22 signed. That's what happened. 23 My son was so upset, so I made a 24 thing like, you know, lighten up, it's okay. 25 Who said being crazy in there? Yes, I

MyPillow, people that had -remember during that time they -- you know, people were buying. That was the slippers. The slippers came in. So people bought more, I guess. But it coincided with that. There was a spike that day, absolutely. Q. All right. Mr. Lindell, I want to go back to the P&L statements, and we can go to Exhibit 730 to talk about some other items on here. It's 2021. So after the gross profit line, then there is expenses, correct? 25 A. Uh-huh. Right.

# MICHAEL LINDELL Sr

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1	Page 189 Q. And it goes into a detailed breakdown of	1	Page 191 ever had was probably right after the Rose
2	various expenses	2	Garden, when everybody went into lockdown,
3	A. Right.	3	because that's when the media really lowered
4	Q that MyPillow incurs?	4	their prices and nobody was buying media. So
5	A. Yep.	5	we were able to buy it for really reduced
6	Q. And in discussing expenses, would you agree	6	prices. I even went on CNN back then again
7	that these are costs, other than raw	7	with my book.
8	materials and direct production costs, that	8	So, you know, it's all about what
9	MyPillow would need to spend each month?	9	they charged. There's a lot of variables
10	A. That's correct.	10	there. But that's what the advertising
11	Q. So I have questions about a couple of these.	11	expense is. It's that would be your rev
12	So the first is the	12	shares. That would also be your your
13	advertising/promotional expenses.	13	direct buying of ads. There are two things
14	A. Right.	14	that are in that column.
15	Q. What types of expenses fall into the bucket	15	Q. Okay. So that's what would go into that one.
16	of advertising/promotional?	16	And would you agree that the
17		17	advertising/promotional expenses
18	CNN or Fox or whatever it is, that's the	18	MR. FREY: Julie, if you can slide
19	money we spend every week and it has to	19	over.
20	either break even or make money.	20	Q are the highest expense for MyPillow?
21	For example, if you buy a \$10,000	21	A. Oh, a hundred percent because it's all
22	ad on Fox, it needs to produce about 18,000	22	relevant. If I don't if I don't buy an
23	just to break even on product costs. If it	23	ad I'll give an example. So last week we
24	doesn't, you don't run it.	24	got preempted because of the Democratic
25	For example, like I said, I	25	Convention. All of our ads got preempted,
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1	couldn't buy on MSNBC when they started	1	which means a lot of them ran
2	charging too much, 36,000 for a one-minute	2	commercial-free. Our gross sales dropped
3	ad, and if you only take in 28,000 or	3	down almost half because it's all relevant.
4	whatever, you lose 20 grand. You don't get	4	So if you don't have a commercial
5	that back.	5	that's working, MyPillow is just decimated.
6	So so as and when the ad is	6	It's because it's not like you're going,
7	working, you can spend more money on you	7	okay, I'm going to go buy MyPillow today. We
8	could go broader, more horizontal.	8	don't have the box stores anymore. So people
9	So what you're showing me here in	9	aren't buying it just seeing it. We don't

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10 February, with that spike if you say -- if 11 you attribute it just to the -- with the 12 slippers, but also two people out there that 13 are -- were able to go more broad, who were 14 able to spend more money because the 15 commercials are working.

So let's say you would go into your 17 ABCs, your CBSs or whatever it is. Once you 18 get to local broadcasts, you can buy more 19 media. You can buy more media.

20 So -- and then -- now, if they're 21 performing at a 3 or a 4 -- ideally you want 22 at least to hit a 2, but there's been times 23 we've hit a 3 or a 4, like when we went into 24 the -- where everybody was watching on -- the 25 highest -- I believe the highest margins we

have that.

So if you don't hear about it, you're not just going, hey, I'm going to buy -- I'm going to go to MyPillow today and do some shopping.

You have to -- everything costs money. So even the email blasts cost, but those -- those -- you know, those fatigue too after a while. So if you're not able to buy a direct -- these are impulse buys. Everything is an impulse buy.

When you are able to buy more advertising and produce that break-even or better, your company is bigger at that moment in time.

25 Q. And for -- do you know -- and we can walk

21 kind of rolled into 2022. Then the

23 everything. I tried different -- with

25 price.

22 commercial went down and it died. I tried

24 people's testimonies. I tried lowering the

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Page 193 Page 195 through the other ones if you'd like. Would 1 1 I did it -- in the spring of '22 I 2 you agree that the -- compared to prior 2 actually took our all-season slippers just to 3 years, 2021 was the year that MyPillow spent 3 stay alive at MyPillow and reduced the cost 4 the most on advertising? 4 down to like \$29, because our inventory was 5 A. Yeah, because of the -- because of the 5 so -- we had inventory that was sitting 6 slippers. That was the -- the slippers. 6 there. 7 We -- if we were relevant back in 7 But we couldn't cash flow because 8 the day, back when MyPillow first launched, 8 the attacks on MyPillow and everything else. 9 9 you know -- you've got to realize, too, that So we couldn't cash flow, and I sold out all 10 10 we have to -- we couldn't just -- I didn't that inventory at cost and all it was was a 11 have millions of dollars to buy the ads. 11 Band-Aid. 12 If I would have had millions of 12 We lost millions of dollars in the 13 dollars in those other years when MyPillow 13 spring of -- that was right after the 14 was launched, or MyMattress Topper, we could 14 commercial for the 2.0 collapsed. Or that 15 have really -- we could have took advantage. 15 was -- I guess that was early '23. We've 16 It would be like printing money, because you 16 tried everything to get through. 17 could have bought them in every little tiny 17 But you can't -- by what's happened 18 station because they were producing at 2 or 18 with these attacks on MyPillow and the 19 19 cancellations, we're just decimated. But 20 20 So here was our -- when the that was a good run there with the slippers 21 21 slippers came here, with the slipper launch, until it fatigued and it was like, boom, 22 if you didn't have a commercial that was 22 done. 23 working, those -- all of those numbers would 23 Q. And -- okay. So that's -- that's what goes 24 be dismal. They would be just like they are 24 into your advertising expenses. 25 now. The commercial is not working. And if 25 The next one I want to talk about Page 194 Page 196 you don't have a commercial working and you 1 is travel and entertainment. If we go back 2 2 don't have box stores, you have nothing. over to the side, it's 6150. It's about Here we had no box stores, but the 3 3 midway down. Do you see that? commercial was working. Everybody was buying 4 A. Yep. the slippers. I mean, it was crazy, to the Q. What goes into travel and entertainment effect that we ordered millions of dollars of 6 expenses? 7 7 more slippers. A. Well, there's no -- there's no entertainment 8 And by the time that commercial 8 at all in there. That would be whatever -- a 9 fatigued, then -- we couldn't buy the ads. 9 lot of that, I'm sure, is procurement 10 10 That's why we owe the slipper people. department. I know that they go -- they go 11 11 \$15 million they have been waiting on because overseas to try and get new products. 12 we have all this inventory of slippers and no 12 There was a lot that went on in '21 13 place to sell it. 13 because of the slippers. There was a lot 14 of -- they had to fly places. We were trying 14 I can't put a slipper ad on TV 15 right now because it would lose -- a \$10,000 15 sandals -- to get sandals and stuff. That's 16 ad, I would lucky -- I would be fortunate to 16 almost all one department, mostly, I would 17 take in \$3,000. 17 say, Bob Sohns, Department of Procurement. 18 That would be -- that would be --18 So you guys need to understand how 19 19 our advertising works. The slippers made that would be the biggest expense, I would 20 that year of '21. It was incredible. It 20

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think, because that was the one -- that was -- I know there was so many because their plants are -- overseas in two different locations. I think Cambodia maybe. I'm not sure. And --25 Q. So --

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Page 197 Page 199 A. But they -- there's very few -- oh, there's 1 All these different things I had to 2 go -- I was doing stuff for Wal-Mart in their 2 other. I guess there is other. 3 3 Entertainment shouldn't be on stores. I would fly down and be in a 4 4 there. We don't do any entertainment. That Wal-Mart personally to help sales. 5 should be -- that shouldn't even be an 5 So there was -- it was -- that's 6 6 expense. what I constantly was doing. They said, Hey, 7 7 Travel would also be if -- if you we can't -- the expenses and the time it 8 were doing -- if they were doing any trade 8 would take me, that was the board voted that 9 9 shows and stuff, but they -- a lot of them in one hundred percent. 10 10 were cancelled because the box store. I know Because I'm going, You know what? 11 we tried in vain that year to get some back. 11 That's an expense. They go, We need this now 12 or you can't get -- I couldn't do the That's another department where 12 13 13 they go to like mid-state shows and stuff Canadian shopping channel one day, meet in 14 like that, where they go to trade shows, 14 another part of Canada because we had -- we 15 where we're trying to get box stores to come 15 had massive stuff, too, where we would have 16 back or even get new ones. So there was a 16 to go to like Costco, their executive office, 17 lot of that in '21. 17 or mid states. 18 Q. And so that travel would be kind of maybe 18 All the stuff that I had to travel 19 commercial travel, flying overseas --19 on was just incredible that -- so that was 20 voted in. That's what that -- that's what 20 A. Yep. 21 21 Q. -- that kind of thing? that aircraft does. 22 A. Yep. 22 Q. Did you use the MyPillow jet more frequently 23 Q. The next line item is aircraft operation --23 in 2021 than in prior years? 24 A. But no --24 A. No. No. Probably be prior than 2020 because 25 of the -- because of the virus we did --25 Q. -- expenses. Page 198 Page 200 A. But no -- but no -- but no entertainment 1 well, no, it was used then, too, because we 1 2 didn't have commercials. 2 would be on there. 3 3 So there was -- there was -- I The aircraft operation, that's --4 4 that's the plane, the -- MyPillow's plane. don't know about -- I don't know how it would 5 5 Q. Okay. So that's for the MyPillow private compare to other years. I think it was 6 iet? 6 pretty much the same. 7 7 A. It's not -- it's not in their name. It's not Those are -- those are pretty much 8 8 in their name. It's another company, but flat fees because you have -- that's 9 veah. 9 another -- it's another entity that charges 10 10 Q. And why does MyPillow need a plane? 11 A. Well, at that time it was voted in in 20 --It doesn't matter how much you're 12 it was voted in by the board, not by me, in 12 using it, other than fuel, those are -- those 13 20, I want to say, 17, and that's because I 13 numbers pretty much stayed the same unless 14 14 would go to QVC -- QVC Canada, all these you're taking less trips than your -- because 15 places, and I would do appearances. I did 15 you still have the cost of your pilots. 16 over 300 and some at QVC alone. 16 I know the first year we had to add And to fly commercial, the board 17 17 two pilots because I was doing so many -- so 18 18 much QVC and so much shopping channels, that said you will save sixteen 24-hour days. I 19 19 would literally have to fly to Pennsylvania, we had to get two more pilots, so that cost 20 20 two hours wait -- two hours wait and two went up. 21 hours where I wouldn't be available on a 21 But these are -- these are pretty 22 22 much you -- they store the jet. They take commercial flight, land, go do the hit at

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QVC, which would be -- could be a hundred and

some thousand dollars. There was so many --

and then the shopping channel in Florida.

care of it. They do everything. And those

are fixed costs, except for fuel is on there.

25 Q. Have you used or did you use this -- this

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1 MyPillow jet in connection with making	on no, I wasn't on there then. He was not
2 appearances and statements related to claims	2 on there then. I know he was on there at
3 about fraud in the 2020 US election?	3 least one time, and I think
4 A. No. I don't know what you mean by that.	4 Q. How about
5 Absolutely not. What do you mean? No, I	5 A only one time. I think only one time.
6 didn't	6 Q. How about Conan Hayes? Has Conan Hayes ever
7 Q. Did you	7 flown on the MyPillow jet?
8 A. I didn't	8 A. I don't know.
9 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)	9 Q. Phil Waldron?
10 Q. When you hosted the Cyber Symposium in August	10 A. Yes, Phil Waldron when he yes, because of
of 2020, did you travel there in the MyPillow	11 that Cyber Symposium.
12 jet?	12 Q. How about Russell Rantlin [phonetic]? Has he
13 A. Yes. That was all paid for that was paid	13 ever flown on the MyPillow jet?
for by me personally. So those are separate	14 A. No. Not to my knowledge, no.
things that get paid out of there.	15 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
16 Back to MyPillow, whenever I use	16 A. Who?
17 the jet whenever the jet would be used	17 Q. General Flynn?
18 personally, I have to pay for that. Or if	18 A. No, I don't believe so, but I couldn't say a
19 someone flies on there, that would be they	19 hundred percent for certain. I don't believe
20 have to pay. They get paid. That's a	20 so, though. He might have he might have
21 totally separate separate accounting thing	21 when he was because I was working with
that's done with the jet. Always has to	22 him he was setting up Patriot TV. But I
know, you know, who's on there, and then they	23 would say no. Because we were going to
24 have and I paid for those things	24 advertise with him. I want to say no, but I
25 personally.	25 can't be a hundred percent certain on him.
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1 Q. Is there	1 Q. How about Douglas Frank?
2 A. If you are talking about that when you are	2 A. Yes.
3 talking about that Cyber Symposium, a hundred	3 Q. Has Frank ever been on the MyPillow jet?
4 percent I paid for all that.	4 A. Yes.
5 Q. Is there documentation denoting kind of your	5 Q. Approximately how many times?
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- payments back to MyPillow with reference
- 7 to --
- 8 A. Yep.
- 9 Q. -- the private jet use?
- 10 A. Yes, absolutely there would be. The IRS just
- 11 went through all that a hundred percent. So,
- 12 yes, there is.
- 13 Q. So in connection, then, with that Cyber
- 14 Symposium, did -- did you fly Dennis
- 15 Montgomery on the MyPillow jet?
- 16 A. Dennis Montgomery didn't go to the Cyber
- 17 Symposium. So where are you getting your
- 18 information?
- 19 Q. Has Dennis Montgomery ever been flown on the
- 20 MyPillow jet?
- 21 A. I don't -- I don't know. Maybe one time, if
- 22 that. That's -- maybe one time in history,
- 23 and that would have been -- I think maybe
- 24 when -- because I only met him -- that's the
- 25 first time I met him. I believe I -- he was

- A. I think just once, and I'm not even positive
- 7 about that. I'm not positive about that. I
- 8 want to -- I wasn't on there with him, but I
- 9 believe he's been on there because I don't
- 10 know -- because he came to the Cyber 11 Symposium.

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I'm trying to think who was there.

- 13 Flynn was not there. Dr. Doug Frank would 14
  - have been on there, I believe, unless he took
- 15 a commercial flight. I don't know that.
- 16 Q. So in connection with the Cyber Symposium,
- 17 then, would the jet have been used to kind of
  - help bring speakers and other individuals
- 19 there?

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- 20 A. I don't know what the protocol was, but I
  - think -- I know it was brought -- they called
- 22 it the red team. I don't know what they
- 23 were. I didn't know what a red team meant.
- 24 I had no idea.
- 25 This was all -- it was very -- very

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set up sporadically, where I know my

attorney, Kurt Olson, I know he set up part

of that, of who was coming in. I don't know.

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And as far as speakers, I don't know -- I don't think -- I don't think it was necessarily speakers, but some of them were speakers maybe. I don't even know where it all went.

To be honest with you, I don't know -- I don't know how many people were brought back and forth. Some of them were speakers, so...

- 13 Q. Who would make the arrangements, the travel
   14 arrangements, for use of the private jet in
   15 connection with the Cyber Symposium?
- 16 A. I don't remember and I don't -- I don't know.
  17 It wasn't me. I had no idea who was coming
  18 or not coming to that event. A hundred
  19 percent I didn't know.

I was actually getting the evidence from Dennis Montgomery. I was in Florida, and I went from there to Texas to give it to the Cyber '15 -- Act of 2015 or the Cyber Act, to give the data -- the data from Dennis Montgomery to them.

1 A. MyPillow --

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(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

- 3 Q. MyPillow no longer owns it, they sit -- at4 least use --
- 5 A. Well, my MyPillow -- MyPillow -- yeah,
- 6 MyPillow can still use it. It's -- you know,
- 7 absolutely. They can still use it. They'll
- 8 still pay to use it when we need it. We
- 9 don't need it as much anymore because we
- don't have the box stores. We don't have the shopping channels.

So the costs have went down because -- you know, because we've lost everything, we had to -- so we had to sell that. We've lost -- we're decimated. So we've had to just adjust accordingly.

- 17 Q. The next line item I wanted to understand is18 number 6560, Commissions Misc. It's down
  - there towards the lower left-hand side. What
- 20 does that line item represent?
- 21 A. Commissions? Those are call center. Those
- are call center. They get 5 percent
- commissions. They get 5 percent commissions
- 24 off of MyPillow sales.
- 25 Q. And that's folks from the call centers that

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And we went to turn it in and we were running late. I said, You know what? Let's -- there was a guy there named Josh Merritt. First time I ever met him, and he said, All of this data I've already validated. He said, It's all a hundred percent legit. I had already known that because I had had it validated for six months.

And then they were going to put it in this thing to seal it and send it out under the 2015 Act, and they were making a copy of it.

And -- and then it ended up -- there was, I think, Josh, who I had just met, Kurt Olson, and -- you know, I don't know. I think Phil Waldron was -- that might have been the time he was on the plane. Then we went to Sioux Falls.

- Q. And does MyPillow still -- still use theprivate jet?
- 22 A. Yeah. We don't have -- we don't own it
- anymore, but we -- yeah, I still use it.
- 24 I'll contract with it, yeah.
- 25 Q. Okay. So --

MyPillow uses?

- 2 A. Those are -- those are mothers and fathers.
- 3 A lot of them work from home, but we have our
- 4 own call center. We don't use outside people
- 5 overseas. We -- these guys -- this is their
- 6 commission. They get 5 percent off every
- 7 sale made. These are my employees.
- 8 Q. Okay. And how about shows? The next one
  - down, Commissions Shows?
- 10 A. The shows are -- they worked on shows. These
- 11 would be your -- the home shows, the Costco
- 12 shows. Those are the ones we lost. They --
- they -- they used to get like 20 percent
- 14 commission at the shows. But Costco, they
- 15 cancelled us. Everything gone.
- 16 Q. Got it. Okay.

17 I want to look at the balance

- 18 sheets next. So we can just take one from --
- we'll use the one from 2021 again to be
- 20 consistent. So we'll do Exhibit 735.
- 21 A. Okay.
- 22 Q. Just to frame here, these balance sheets show
- the assets, liabilities, and equity of
- 24 MyPillow on a monthly basis for each
- 25 calendar --

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say, we had some -- we had five different

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1	A.	Okay.	1	controllers. Two of them were very	
2	Q.	year, right?	2	incompetent and they got let go.	
3	A.	Okay.	3	So I don't know when you got it,	
4	Q.	Okay. And it looks like, unlike the P&L	4	but I would the CPA, those numbers are	
5		statements, these don't roll up or	5	accurate. And I can assure you we were	
6		accumulate. They're just kind of a	6	decimated in 2022 and 2023, and right now	
7		month-by-month snapshot; is that right?	7	we're within minutes of going under.	
8	Δ	I I don't know, but it looks like it,	8	So whatever you have on your other	
9	/ ۱.	yeah.	9	thing whenever you got it, that report	
10	$\cap$	And so for total assets	10	that you showed that said 92 was 1 million	
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	Α.	I don't if they're going by month, I don't	12	percent wrong, whoever prepared that. We had	
12	_	know, but go ahead.		a lot of incompetence with those two	
13		Okay. You're not you're not sure?	13	controllers and they were both let go.	
14	Α.	Yeah, I don't know if what rolls over or	14	MR. KACHOUROFF: And just for the	
15		not, but the total assets would keep	15	record	
16		going. Go ahead, what you're saying.	16	THE WITNESS: So when	
17		So the total assets here for 2021 show just	17	MR. KACHOUROFF: Tim, when I	
18		over 86 million; is that right?	18	turned those over, I told you they were going	
19	Α.	Where do you see it?	19	to be different from the auditor's from	
20	Q.	It's down in that lower right-hand corner.	20	the CPA's	
21		So you get total assets (indicating). Then	21	THE WITNESS: Yeah.	
22		the two underlines. And if you go all the	22	MR. KACHOUROFF record.	
23		way to the right for December of that year,	23	THE WITNESS: Yeah. Yeah.	
24		it would be 86.	24	MR. FREY: I understand you told me	
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25	Α.	Okay.	25		
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25 had to deal with. Some of them, though, were

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Page 213 Page 215 very incompetent. 1 Don't tell me what you are insuating --2 2 My controller -- I mean my CPA, to insinuating. I live this every day. As I 3 3 do '22 and 2023, it's taken him the longest sit and speak to you, we have nothing, 4 4 in history with questions going back and nothing left. You know, Smartmatic --5 forth and back and forth and back and forth 5 MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike --6 6 and through the books, and I've been over THE WITNESS: -- sues --7 7 there many times, you know. MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike --8 8 THE WITNESS: -- MyPillow. It's a And this has taken the longest of 9 9 tax return in the history of MyPillow because shame, so... 10 10 he had to go through and we had to fix so MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike, let Mr. Frey many things that were wrong. This wasn't 11 ask his questions. 12 accurate. This was inaccurate. Well, this 12 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Okay. 13 13 person did this. MR. FREY: So, actually, let's --14 These are accurate. The ones that 14 we've been going for almost an hour and a 15 15 we showed on our -- on our -- that you got half, so let's take five minutes. 16 from our CPA, and you can get the -- the 16 THE WITNESS: I don't need any 17 other stuff from him, these are accurate. We 17 minutes, but you go and take them, that's 18 fine. 18 spent many, many hours. 19 And, by the way, there was many 19 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're going off 20 the record 2:20 p.m. 20 people brought in, you call them a third 21 21 party, to help out. I even brought Kim (A recess was taken.) 22 Rasmussen back to help out and say, Can you 22 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on 23 balance this stuff? 23 the record 2:30 p.m. 24 24 BY MR. FREY: There's been -- you know, so we 25 had -- but we had to fire people in between 25 Q. Okay, Mr. Lindell, back on the record. So we Page 214 Page 216 1 because we couldn't -- you know, they were were talking about the total assets for each 1 2 incompetent. 2 year, and I believe you said that as of 3 3 But they were working -- but the today, those assets are almost nothing; is 4 one that got -- when it really got bad was he 4 that right? 5 spent every day just writing down here's --5 A. Yeah. Our inventory is down to -- we owe 6 who could we pay? And I would have to say, 6 more now on our inventory by about 10 million 7 7 Well, if we don't pay this, the doors close. than what we have in stock. 8 If we don't pay -- this has been going on, 8 So the company itself is probably 9 it's been a nightmare since '21 with all the 9 upsidedown by -- and I've had to borrow 10 cancellation and everything that came in 10 personally and MyPillow borrow about 11 January of '21. This is the nightmare we've 11 \$6 million this year, maybe 10 million this 12 lived, so... 12 year to stay in business, to the point we 13 It's not like they --13 can't borrow anymore. 14 14 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) We borrowed money from --15 THE WITNESS: -- purposefully 15 basically, if you borrow a million, you pay put -- purposefully put a number in there and 16 them back 1.5 million and -- so I would say 16 17 then changed the number. That's the biggest 17 our assets now probably 20 million in the 18 18 crap I've ever heard in my life. Here's your hole upsidedown. It's at least 10, but 19 19 accurate -probably 20. 20 BY MR. FREY: 20 Q. And is the company considering insolvency? A. No. No. I will not do that. I'm not going 21 Q. I'm not --21 22 to do that. We -- God will get us through. 22 A. -- numbers. 23 23 Q. Mr. Lindell, I'm not intimating anything. We pray every day we'll get through another 24 24 I'm just asking -day. 25 25 A. Oh, I know what you're insuating [phonetic]. And, you know, we're trying to come

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Page 217 out with a commercial that would work. Right now we have two commercials, and they both 3 are about a break-even.

We've took our company and downsized it, laid people off to try and fit what sales we do have left.

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And, you know, I think we're coming 8 out the other end now, paying -- you know, 9 paying the -- with what they did last year, 10 when we had the run on our credit and the 11 credit squish, but we've gotten through that.

So basically we will come out of 13 this maybe with a smaller company, but I 14 don't know how -- how long or -- how long 15 it's ever going to take to pay these people 16 back, such as the slipper people.

17 They were -- they were the ones 18 most affected because of what I told you. 19 There were big sales in '21 and then it just 20 after their commercial -- once a commercial 21 fatigues below that line, it's over. You 22 don't -- you have to either change your 23 offer, and if that doesn't work, you're stuck 24 with that inventory.

And it would take a long time to Page 218

sell -- like, for instance, their slippers will take, at its current rate, probably nine years to sell.

Now, if the commercial was still successful, like in '21, boom, you would be -- you'd run through all that inventory, but now they're -- like I say, our inventory now is -- a lot of the inventory we have, like the slippers, it's not the inventory we need. We need our inventory that we make, which is our MyPillows and this -- and the new topper commercial, but now they have us on cash only.

So we live day to day. I take every dime I make out of my -- everything I make I stick in every day. I wake up in the morning. I grab out of every account I can just to keep going with MyPillow, and I leave maybe 10 grand at the most in all the accounts combined.

And there's no assets --(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

A. By the way, the IRS has on the house I'm sitting in, the IRS has a \$5 million lien against it, and that's the only other asset I

Page 219 have in the world, so... They have that

1 covered, so...

Q. What is the name of the slipper company,

Mr. Lindell?

5 A. It is -- I'll have to text and get the actual 6 name.

7 Q. That's okay. Please, you know, don't be 8 texting on the --

9 A. I mean, I can --

10 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

11 A. I can get that for you or I'd have to call them. I would have to call them. I don't 12

know the actual name. They're out of 13

14 California. They call me every single day

15 looking for hope, every day. And they're

owed about 15 million. 16

17 Q. And is that they delivered inventory and then 18 when you sold it, you would pay that back? 19 Is that how the arrangement worked?

20 A. Yeah, they -- well, they -- and '21 was so 21 big, the launch in '20, that they ordered --

22 they -- their salesmen and our procurement,

23 they ordered it based on those numbers, and

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nobody thought that -- that -- that things

25 would collapse like they did.

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1 Those guys were going to put -their biggest thing was they were going to put it in box stores all over the country, and they had it all set up.

5 And then after -- in January of '21, when I -- when I went public for the elections, then none of the box stores would take all the slippers they had. So they -it wasn't their fault. I mean, they -- it 10 just decimated.

11 That's where the slippers -- the 12 majority of the money owed them would have been -- would have been inventory that was 14 ordered for box stores and all the box stores 15 cancelled them, too. They couldn't put MySlippers anywhere. 16

17 This was all -- you know, it --18 because they're -- Mike Lindell is out there 19 trying to help the country and get paper 20 ballots hand counted, they -- they got --21 they got hammered, too. They couldn't --22 they couldn't get them in any box store. 23 They had everything set up.

24 They are a big company and they 25 were going to be in every -- every shoe

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1	Page 221 store, box store and all of them said, no,	1	that's that I'd have to ask. That's
2	nothing to do with with MyPillow. So	2	bizarre.
3	that's that's where they're at, and they	3	I know there is a there's a
4	will testify to that.	4	Lindell Management. We used the management
5	It's just been devastating. It's a	5	company that at one point because I had
6	big company, but they I'm not they call	6	the other companies other companies like
7	me, like I say, about just about every	7	MyStore and I had Lindell Recovery Network
8	day. Is there any hope? And I say, Well,	8	and Lindell Foundation.
9	the commercial is down. They're saying, oh,	9	There was different things that
10	we're going to sit on this inventory.	10	Lindell Management paid for and had to
11	And, you know, we were kind of	11	manage, and I know MyPillow at one time
12	hoping that the box stores maybe would change	12	that could be the 150 a month that was
13	their mind, but we just approached a shopping	13	charged to Lindell Management.
14	channel and a couple box stores just last	14	But I don't know why "ME" for
15	week and got up the range and they said,	15	management company, that doesn't make sense.
16	Absolutely not. That was Home Shopping	16	The short answer is I don't know. But that
17	Network and a couple other box stores.	17	would be the only inconsistent number. What
18	We've approached Wal-Mart and	18	year is this? '21?
19	because they were the last ones to cancel,	19	Q. This is 2018. This is 2018.
20	and they said no to the slippers, too. These	20	A. Then it definitely wouldn't be 20 I know
21	guys have tried tried themselves out there	21	what "ME" is. "ME" is the Middle East. I'm
22	in vain and to no avail.	22	sorry. You didn't tell me it was 2018. The
23	Q. I want to talk about another item on the	23	Middle East. We had a pillow company over in
24	balance sheets, which is the loans that are	24	Qatar. That's you didn't tell me the
25	listed under Fixed Assets.	25	year. Yeah, that's definitely Middle East.
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#### MICHAEL LINDELL Smartmatic USA Corp vs Michael J. Lindell

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Page 225 The set-up of the UK was 589,000 when we set up the building, the workers, the call center. I did this remotely. We hired people. We -- our building, that was 5 inventory that went there. 6 MyPillow loaned the money -- the people that owned the UK company, it wasn't all of the MyPillow stockholders, just like 9 the Middle East was not. So we had to do it 10 as a mother ship loan to that company. The 11 investors that went in -- some of the 12 MyPillow stockholders went in and some chose

13 not to. So that was -- that was their own

14 decisions back then.

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Like the Middle East, I wasn't 16 even -- I didn't even invest in that myself. 17 That was -- I believe about five of the 18 stockholders went into that. So it would 19 have been a separate company. We borrowed 20 money from MyPillow to that.

21 Basically, it wasn't a loan. It 22 was inventory. That would be inventory or 23 start-up costs. We gave them -- my guess is that would be inventory on consignment where 25 we give it to them, they start up, and

Page 227 attacking MyPillow, kind of like you guys --

2 Q. Do you know whether --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

4 Q. Do you know whether they ever -- it doesn't 5 matter.

From Company." Who is the "from company"? A. I don't know on that. I don't know on that.

Let's go to the next one, "Loan

There's -- there's many times that I have had to borrow millions of dollars to MyPillow.

I think right now -- at one time MyPillow -- my book came out. This could be part of my book, because when my book came out, MyPillow put up some of the money because we -- we printed 3 million copies and it was -- I remember it was \$12 million. We bought our own paper and stuff. And I own my book, but MyPillow was going to be selling

So I think part of that was a --MyPillow got given -- given product, books to sell, and so they bought books and then they were selling them at that time.

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That's what I'm guessing, because 2018, that would coincide with my book

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then -- because I'm just looking here across.

The Middle East never got off the ground. That was -- all the inventory was destroyed. It went over in the ships and it all got -- something happened to it. I remember that. And it was -- the inventory got destroyed and we actually had to go to court with the Middle East people, but I don't know what ever came out of that.

The next one, the UK, yeah, that would have been inventory and stuff, and that -- that was slow, slow and then that ended up getting -- by that guy you seen, Andy whatever took that over.

And then after the 2020 -- January of 2021, he was just destroyed over there in the UK because I was in the news as the CEO of MyPillow, that they -- you know, they tied the two together and they just decimated that -- that plant.

21 Q. And so MyPillow UK is no longer --

A. No, no, no. That went under because of me 22 23 talking about elections. That's why that 24 went under. That was -- The Daily Mail would 25 attack me all the time from over there,

1 launch. I think, unless it was '19.

That's -- I don't know.

But if there's intercompany loans, that's usually money owed to myself permanently. Like right now MyPillow owes me a lot of money because -- and --

Q. And I'll represent to you that that "loan from company" line item, we'll see it stays on -- it stays the balance sheets all the way 10 through.

A. Then it's probably -- it's probably -- it's 11 12 probably the books, then, is what I'm 13 guessing. It goes up -- it goes up to -- it 14 goes up to 1,000 and 2,600. That would 15 probably be book inventory being transferred, 16 that's my guess, because it does increase. 17 It does increase.

> And I believe you will see on the '23 taxes that we finally transferred everything, because the books were a big thing that we had to get transferred, and I believe it was either 2022, but I think it's 2023, taking all those losses that -- because myself, for the books transferred over, there was -- there would be profit, a \$2 profit per

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Zealand.

I assume that one for 50 is probably New

When it's "loan," it's inventory

given to them on consignment. So call it

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Page 229 Page 231 1 book, and I believe my accountant put that on 1 what you want, but they haven't paid us back. 2 the 2023 taxes. That's -- that's what I'm 2 So, in fact, it's a loan. They owe us that 3 3 guessing. I'm 99 percent that's probably the money, but it never got paid to us. 4 4 books. You don't charge interest on 5 Q. That's what that is, okay. 5 inventory you give them. You expect to get 6 6 And then there is another one, paid. But they -- now, whether we ever got 7 7 "Loan From Company - Other," and that looks paid or not, I don't know. 8 like it's a consistent amount, again, kind of 8 Q. Okay. Yeah, and I'm not -- I wasn't calling 9 it a loan. I'm just reading -- I'm just 9 similar --10 10 A. That was only -- it's not the amount. It's trying to understand. 11 50 grand one time. You know what I'm saying? 11 A. And I'm just giving you the answer the best I 12 Q. One time it's --12 can remember there, because MyPillow did not 13 A. Right. 13 need -- you know, obviously in 2018 these 14 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) 14 were subsidiary companies or vendors we were A. And I -- I don't know what that is and we 15 trying to help out. 16 16 would have to look at the following years to You guys do realize that back 17 see when it was ever zeroed out or what 17 then -- prior to '21 I didn't use a bank. I 18 happened. That's -- the tax guys do that. I 18 never used a bank ever. I would just --19 don't know. You're bringing me back to 20 --19 since we had -- we were cash -- we were doing 20 2018. I can only -- I know my book was 20 for '08 all the way up through until '21, I 21 around that time. I don't know what the 21 could be -- if I was negotiating with people, 22 50 would be. 22 you know, I would say, Here, I want a better 23 Q. Okay. Okay. Let's go to the next --23 price, but I'll be your bank. 24 A. It could've been -- that one could've been --24 Like -- even like the box stores 25 25 that one could've been New -- what's the and stuff like that. I didn't have to -- I Page 230 Page 232 1 country by Australia? New Zealand. That 1 would give them a good price, but they had to 2 could've been New Zealand because we would 2 pay within 30 days rather than 90 days. 3 3 help those guys out. Or even QVC, you know, we were --4 4 But they got wiped out, too, in we didn't have -- we're not a bank. And if 5 5 January of '21 after they couldn't do they want us to (indiscernible) -- no, but 6 business over there anymore because, you 6 they wanted the product so bad, that they 7 7 would -- you know, they'd make exceptions and know, MyPillow was just attacked. 8 8 Q. And these loans that we have here, the UK, pav us. 9 the loan from company, do you know if there's 9 But these guys here, those are the 10 10 interest owed on those loans or if they're three we got burned on, it looks like. 11 11 Q. Okay. Let's go to the next year, interest-free, kind of intercompany --12 A. I don't know. I didn't write them up. I 12 Exhibit 733. This will be the 2019. And if 13 didn't write them up. But I know when we --13 we go down to the loans for -- this same 14 I know when Andy took over the UK, that was 14 section of the balance sheet, you see those 15 15 all worked out then. four we just talked about are still there? 16 I think those loans -- when it says 16 A. Uh-huh. 17 "loan," it would be inventory on consignment. 17 Q. And then there is a 1950, "Related Party 18 So you're giving people inventory and you 18 Loans," and I just want to explore what these 19 19 expect to get paid back for the inventory ones would be. 20 they sell. That's what that is. That's what 20 A. Right. 21 the "ME" is and that's what the "UK" is. And 21 Q. So the first is MyStore?

22 A. Uh-huh. Right.

24 A. They are not --

25 Q. -- consignment again?

23 Q. And so what's the -- is that inventory --

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1 A. They are not loans. They are miscalculated.

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MyStore is a separate entity and MyPillow has an agreement with them. They do the fulfillment for MyStore. So they do fulfillment for MyStore and MyStore has to pay them. I don't know what -- I can't remember the percentages. So much for fulfillment and so much for call center, and those numbers change.

This is when MyStore, I think, first started out in '19. I don't know. And I don't know -- this is just what I am assuming, that we were very small then and -- that would be the only thing I could think

And then you see like Lindell
Management. I don't know what \$973.30 -- I
have no idea what that would be, you know.
These -- usually MyPillow would owe Lindell
Management, because there was a monthly fee
that was charged because we had different
people doing stuff for different entities.

So rather than take their wages apart, you would have a management company

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- 1 started billing -- Lindell Management billing
- 2 MyPillow for their fees.
- 3 Q. But this looks like that MyPillow is giving4 money to Lindell Management, right?
- A. Yeah. They have to because Lindell
- 6 Management owes -- did the work. Lindell
- 7 Management did the work. We have to pay --
- 8 they had to pay their employees and then
- 9 Lindell Management -- MyPillow would owe them
- 10 money. That's correct.
- 11 Q. What work is Lindell Management performing12 for MyPillow?
- 13 A. Like IT work. Back then -- lawyers. Back14 then there was -- there was different people
- that were brought in and we put them all --
- 16 the company said let's put them into Lindell
- 17 -- this separate entity so that you could
- 18 take a person like -- I believe -- even Doug
- 19 Wardlow, I believe, was a Lindell Management
- 20 employee, the internal -- the lawyer, because
- 21 he was -- he might do work for Lindell
- 22 Offense -- I mean Lindell Recovery Network or
- 23 he might do work for MyPillow or he might do
- 24 work for MyStore. So you had to separate his
- wage. Well, rather than doing that, you just

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that would charge -- prorate like each person that did something for each -- each entity.

That's what we started out and then we -- then we switched it to make it easier, like MyStore had their own employees and then -- and then MyPillow charges a fee, a percentage fee, based off products sold that they have to fulfill, so much a package and then so much a -- for the call center.

We do that for other companies, too, not just MyStore. We tried to diversify a little bit there, too. In fact, we're in the process of getting -- because we have a really good call center and these people work hard, and we want to add other companies to do their tele -- their call centers.

- 17 Q. Okay. So that's the MyStore. Then the
   18 Lindell Management piece you kind of touched
   19 on. So that's a separate company --
- 20 A. Right.
- 21 Q. -- right?
- 22 A. Separate company. Yep. Nope. So there
- 23 would be -- that's when the no management --
- I think that's when that first started out,
- 25 too. So we tried different things and then

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1 put him there and you billed -- we didn't

2 upcharge. We just billed exactly to -- it

3 was a way to separate the employees that4 worked.

For example, IT. IT, Todd Carter would be one. He was put into Lindell

7 Management back then and -- because he did IT

8 work for -- not only for MyStore's website --

9 that's originally how it started; MyStore,

10 when it was being developed, and Lindell

1 Recovery Network and MyPillow at the same

12 time. It wasn't fair to MyPillow to pay just

13 Todd when he is doing work for MyStore and

14 also Lindell Recovery Network and Lindell

15 Foundation. That was back -- this is from

16 2018 and 2019. That's when we had to form

17 Lindell Management, because it was very

18 unfair to MyPillow having these guys do other

19 work.

20 So we just divided it up and then

21 Lindell Management -- or MyPillow would pay

22 Lindell Management for what it needed, for

23 the work that they had done there. So in a

24 given thing if there was a lot of work to be

25 done there, then, you know, it was billed. I

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1	think back then it was billed by the like	1	loan and you're kind of explaining to me that
2	if you look at Lindell Management and then	2	it's not really that. We can
3	you have that big fee that came in of	3	A. No, no, no, it's not really that. Like
4	354,000, my guess is that there was massive	4	Lindell Foundation, like the foundation,
5	work done for MyPillow. It could've been	5	MyPillow, they did people within that
6	when we got a new website. That might have	6	like the they didn't borrow money from the
7	been when we changed from lost Magento and	7	foundation. They owe the money to the
8	we had to add Magento 2.0. So Todd Carter	8	foundation. They gave money to the
9	and another team that he hired indirectly	9	foundation.
10	that we had for a short time, then MyPillow	10	Like let's say we built a website
11	would be billed for that.	11	for them. It was like donation in kind. And
12	Just like underneath the Lindell	12	maybe it had to be down as a loan and then
13	Canada go ahead.	13	when it's donated I don't know how that
14	Q. Hold on for one second. If MyPillow is being	14	works. That would be a CPA question, and he
15	billed for it, so they're paying that to	15	would be able to answer that or the guy that
16	Lindell Management, it's not really it's	16	did this, which was and I would put
17	not really a loan then, it's just a payment	17	there's a very good reason that he did it
18	out the door, right? So it wouldn't be	18	this way because that guy we had then as our
19	(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)	19	controller and call it CFO was very good.
20	A. No, it's not a this is wrong here. This	20	Q. And then the last one, Lindell Publishing,
21	is this is wrong the way I'm reading it	21	what is Lindell Publishing?
22	because then you have Lindell Foundation. I	22	A. That is my book. That was that was an
23	mean, that this is you know, I don't	23	entity that was created for my book. So that
24	understand this accounting back then. And we	24	is when you see it go up to 1.2
25	had a real accountant back then, too. I	25	1,200,000, that would be MyPillow when I
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1	Page 238 mean, we had I believe that was Mark	1	made the book, MyPillow MyPillow put in
2	Schafer. He was very good at what he did, if	2	some money there, but that was so they could
3	this was from 2019. So I almost have to go	3	get copies that they were going to sell.
4	back and ask him why were these siloed out	4	The rest of the copies I was going
5	that way. You know, you have it doesn't	5	to all the box stores in the country,

make sense to me. Like Lindell loan for Canada, in

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Canada we have a company that was put up there, like I told you, when Donald Trump put in -- these things in place and I made a deal with Trudeau's office and we put a company up in Canada and -- because they were going to charge tariffs and all this other stuff. And they said if we put a plant up there, they wouldn't do that.

So that -- Canada -- MyPillow owes Canada. The Canada thing is our own entity, though. All the stockholders in MyPillow own Canada. MyPillow owned the Canada entity.

So I don't know how to explain accounting-wise how this works, but I'm just trying to explain why -- the relationships between them and --

Q. So it's not -- you know, as I'm reading this and I'm thinking about it, I'm thinking of a

going 6 including Christianbookstores.com. What's 7 the big one out there for books? I can't 8 think right now. But all of them cancelled right after the -- January of '21 I got 10 cancelled everywhere, even at

11 Christianbooks.com. 12 So I had 3 million books 13 preprinted, \$12 million worth. And we were 14 on a pace when we launched, we would have --15 we would've went through the books maybe in 16 three years. Instead now I think my son said, Dad, we'll have books until 2064. They 18 all cancelled on us in January of '21. So 19 we're sitting on that, too. 20 That was my direct loss because 21

that was personal money I put in. And 22 MyPillow, you know, they were able to sell 23 some, but we still have millions and millions 24 of dollars' worth that are sitting in a 25 warehouse right now.

What year is this?

22 A. 2022. MyPillow probably did not have the

money to pay FrankSpeech for advertising. We

were decimated by 2022 and 2023. So there's

probably a big IOU they owed me or owed

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21 Q. This is 2022.

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1	Q. Okay. So at least for publishing then, that	1	FrankSpeech. FrankSpeech has other
2	would have been a loan where MyPillow had	2	stockholders, too, not just Mike Lindell. So
3	purchased that and expected kind of repayment	3	there's a big IOU from MyPillow on that, too.
4	in that amount?	4	It's you know, even though it's
5	A. Nope. Nope. MyPillow purchased the books.	5	a big advertising platform, MyPillow got so
6	Q. Right.	6	decimated you couldn't it was like nothing
7		7	got nothing got paid. But at that time,
8	got turned in they actually bought the	8	since it was Mike Lindell, it wasn't as
9	books. They finally paid for them is	9	concerning as when you had other other
10	,	10	stockholders. And so I put money in there.
11	last year. So now the CPA turned that	11	It ends up it ends up the way
12	instead of that being a loan, it now becomes	12	it all sits today, every entity owes me
13	income on Mike Lindell because they purchased	13	millions of dollars. MyPillow is owed about
14	the books and actually sold them.	14	they're not owed anything, I guess. They
15	That was inventory, basically, that	15	owe they owe me millions and they owe
16	I gave them on consignment or that no,	16	millions of dollars. That's where MyPillow
17	that was kind of like prepaid for inventory.	17	is sitting.
18	That's what that would be. So they prepaid	18	Q. Just I'm trying to understand this
19	for books they were going to sell. And I	19	FrankSpeech one because it's listed as an
20	didn't charge them for them until last year	20	asset, which would mean to me that it's
21	and say, hey, you guys gotta pay me for these	21	something that is owed from FrankSpeech to
22	books now. Do you follow me?	22	MyPillow.
23	Q. Understood. Understood.	23	A. Well, maybe in the beginning maybe in the
24	A. Right. Right.	24	beginning if I borrowed money I'd have to
25	Q. Okay. All right. So I want to fast-forward	25	once again, I'd have to ask the thing. In
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1	to 2022. Yeah, this one, December of 2022	1	the beginning what year is this?
2	and look at there's a few new related	2	Q. 2022.
3	party loans listed that I just want to	3	A. Yeah. See, I don't know. That would be
4	understand, and they're at the bottom.	4	you'd have to ask an accountant.
5	So it's 1958, FrankSpeech. And you	5	Now, to me the way it's listed it
6	can see if you go over to August, it's	6	would be FrankSpeech owing MyPillow, which
7	initially 250,000 and then it kind of goes up	7	would be that so I don't know. I would
8	and up, and then by December it's 3.5	8	have to that I would have to I would
9	million. What is this	9	have to check on that. FrankSpeech owing
10	A. What now? Where are you looking at?	10	MyPillow would mean that they that it
11	Q. The FrankSpeech. It's 1958.	11	would be owing me. So I don't know.
12	A. Yeah. They they we advertised on	12	All those intercompany loans, that
13		13	was that just recently that's been gone
14	. ,	14	through and by an audit. That one did get
15		15	done. So there's no if you go back
16	•	16	then if if MyPillow owed FrankSpeech,
17		17	that it would be down as he put it down as
18		18	a loan or that would be the same type of
19	advertising.	19	thing.

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The way I'm reading this, that's owed money that MyPillow prepaid advertising and they put it down as a loan. That would be my guess there. And then as we rolled out of that and now it -- they -- it would turn into kind of like before where MyPillow

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Page 245 Page 247 1 prepaid their money that they have to pay 1 basically -- I guess he labeled that as a 2 every month for advertising. But that's 2 loan, too. Is it labeled as a loan? 3 3 current now, so that would be -- that would Q. It is labeled as a loan. And just so I 4 4 understand -be my guess on that. 5 Q. But you're not sure, right, either way? 5 A. Right -- same thing. Right. 6 6 A. I'm not sure. It's kind of like I just Q. -- MyPillow gave the money to FrankSpeech to 7 signed up for a gold company. The gold 7 help build out its platform --8 company -- and they prepaid for the whole 8 A. No. No. No. MyPillow gave money to 9 year. I needed money. That's gone in a day. 9 FrankSpeech for prepaid advertising and 10 10 So I'll give an example. I did a that's -- FrankSpeech used it for X because 11 gold company deal. They gave me X amount. I 11 we had -- it became a c corp. So you have to 12 think it was 1 million, 1.5 million. I took 12 have contracts with all these things and they 13 13 it. Because of my endorsement I took it. I prepaid just like the gold company did at 14 borrowed it to MyPillow and it was gone in a 14 FrankSpeech. 15 15 When you have a platform like day. 16 So it's just like MyPillow back 16 FrankSpeech, these guys come in and will 17 then probably gave FrankSpeech here's upfront 17 prepay advertising. MyPillow did the same 18 money for advertising and it's down as a loan 18 thing. But this obviously -- this 19 until you -- that advertising gets paid for. 19 controller, which would have been Mark 20 That's what it looks like to me. I would say 20 Schafer, labeled it as a loan rather than 21 21 I'm 95 percent based on what I know that prepaid advertising. 22 that's what that would be. In fact, I'm 22 Now, I don't know -- I don't know

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This was listed as an asset. So you have advertising you paid for that you haven't -- you haven't used yet. And this was in 2022. You know, I don't -- I think -what's the month? What's the month? I can tell you then. Because in 2022 FrankSpeech got turned into a c corp in the summer.

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thing it could be, because it's not the other

8 Q. It begins in August of 2022, I believe is the 9 initial. And then --

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10 A. Yep. Okay. That's -- that's what it is. 11 August of 2022 MyPillow -- or FrankSpeech got 12 other stockholders and it got turned into a c 13 corp. And a deal was made with MyPillow for 14 advertising and to --

> So that money got put in to -actually would help build my FrankSpeech using for that, using that money to build a new -- a new -- it was a new back end, I believe, in the -- and that might've been '22.

In August of 2022 I'm sure that that's when we turned into a c corp, and that money would go for the construction of my FrankSpeech, and then how it would get paid back was advertising money to MyPillow. So

Page 248 So he did -- he was consistent in how he

why he -- because he did the same thing with

those other things, whether it was Canada,

whether it was the Middle East or whatever.

labeled this.

Now, I would have to ask the CPA why would he label it like that and not like prepaid advertising or prepaid -- you know what I mean, prepaid inventory, like inventory. I know the ME one and the Canada ones were also inventory.

Now, that would be the same thing with FrankSpeech because that is inventory. They're prepaying for advertising inventory. If FrankSpeech right now -- if I -- if --FrankSpeech, if they go out and get five advertisers and then there's no room for any more advertisers, the ones you have pre bought, and like the gold company, they want exclusive. They want to get as many spots as they could. That would be the same thing with MyPillow, that they prepaid the ad and it's labeled as a loan. He's very consistent. Same thing with -- same thing with every one of them. 23 Q. And this is something that you could learn by speaking with the CPA, right?

25 A. Oh, yeah. Absolutely. I can find out that

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Page 249 Page 251 in a phone call if you want me to call him 1 1 They're calculated every month. They're 2 right now. I could ask him. 2 buying ads. 3 Q. And then, yeah, I'm just a little -- to be 3 So if there was -- let me see where 4 4 honest, a little frustrated, Mr. Lindell, it's at here. This is still August of 2022, 5 because you are designated to testify as to 5 right? 6 these topics, something that you're supposed 6 Q. If we go to the right, we'll be in August. 7 to do in advance of the deposition so that 7 Yeah, this is 2022. And so there with the 8 you would know this because you are the 8 250 and the --9 9 A. When did Lindell TV start up here? Yeah, corporate representative of MyPillow 10 10 designated to testify to this. this is when we turned into a c corp and they 11 A. Well, I tell you what, you know, you're 11 had to -- and this was all -- all of this pulling up stuff from 2018 and 2022. Sorry I stuff was media that was -- that they were 12 12 13 13 didn't have the time to go through all this buying, advertising that they would end up 14 stuff of -- six years of stuff when you guys 14 buying and pay for it. 15 are coming after me. 15 And, by the way, these were rev 16 And I didn't feel real good this 16 shares, too. They ended up being rev shares 17 morning when I wake up and I have \$8,000 to 17 with FrankSpeech and Lindell TV. So it's not 18 my name and I'm 20 million in the hole at 18 like it wasn't anything different than any 19 MyPillow and I've got your company, 19 other platform out there. There was not 20 Smartmatic, suing me saying we made a profit 20 favorites played. It was the same thing as 21 21 off it. So excuse me. whether it's Salem Media, whether it's --22 Now what would you like to tell me 22 anyplace that had rev shares -- Cumulus, 23 23 iHeart, any other platforms. besides that? Excuse me. 24 24 Q. I was going to say, Mr. Lindell, so I would But why that's listed as a loan --25 just like to reserve the right, and I will 25 I don't know why it's -- probably as a loan Page 250 Page 252 speak with your attorney about this, too, on 1 1 because they're prepaying upfront on a lot of 2 2 this topic -these things. They're prepaying, you know. 3 A. I reserve the right to sue you for all you 3 So, like I say, these -- MyPillow have done. That's what I reserve the right 4 4 would take -- would be -- the bank got a lot 5 5 to do. of things to be -- to be -- to take all the 6 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk) 6 spots or to do whatever. We do it all the 7 MR. KACHOUROFF: Tim, can we go off 7 time. We would -- we would end up being the 8 8 the record for a second? I need to talk to bank for all these platforms because -- but, 9 Mr. Lindell. Do you mind? 9 obviously, that went away when -- with 2021 10 10 MR. FREY: No. That's fine. and 2022, 2023 as you get into that. We 11 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going off 11 didn't have the wherewithal to prepay for 12 the record at 3:08 p.m. 12 media, and we've lost a lot because of that, 13 (A recess was taken.) 13 because we can't buy media because we don't 14 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on 14 have the funds anymore. 15 the record 3:13 p.m. 15 So we're not in a position to go 16 BY MR. FREY: 16 out and prepay like I wish I was where I Q. Mr. Lindell, back on the record. The last 17 could get a better deal at ABC going in and 17 loan on here that I'm interested in is the 18 buying two months' worth or going --18 19 19 Lindell TV, if you know anything about the We lost all of our infomercials, by 20 Lindell TV loan. 20 the way, at MyPillow. All of our 21 A. It's the same exact thing. They owed money 21 infomercials are your half-hour 22 to Lindell TV. It would be media. 22 informercials, you have to prepay them for up 23 23 Everything there is product. It's labeled as to three months, to 90 days. We lost them 24 loans, but it's product. It's where you're 24 all. We lost every one of them after '21. 25 buying ads. That's a hundred percent. 25 Q. Last thing I want to look at on these balance

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Page 253 Page 255 sheets is the equity. So if Julie will an identical number. And also capital 1 1 2 scroll down to the next page. And do you see 2 stocks, it's the same number. That's an 3 3 there under Total Liabilities then you have entry. And then if it changes, then it 4 4 eauity? changes during that month. Those are -- it 5 A. Yep. 5 looks like those are concurrent. 6 Q. And then under that 2500 shareholder 6 So if you look down to retained 7 distributions, do you know what these numbers 7 earnings or net income, it changes. These 8 represent? 8 things here -- distribution, that's a 9 9 A. Yeah. Once again, this isn't even an negative. So I don't know what year that 10 account -- this is a CPA. This is his thing 10 started, but it was a carryover from a 11 of how he deducts stuff. 11 previous year. 12 12 When you talk about equity, though, So I'll give an example right now. 13 13 I would be -- I would assume the bottom line What year is this here? 14 is what your company is worth with their 14 Q. This is 2022. 15 inventory or maybe what your machines are 15 A. Okay. This is probably what that is. Right 16 worth. I don't know. Some of these would be 16 now all my employees in 2022 and 2023, if we 17 depreciated assets. 17 ever make a profit again, they have -- if 18 18 You know, I'm not a CPA, and sorry there ever is another distribution, they've 19 I didn't do my homework and study to be a 19 already -- it won't be taxed because they 20 CPA. I did take calculus in ninth grade. 20 have a negative. They lost money. It's like 21 21 But I don't know what the numbers mean they lost 1.9, almost \$2 million. 22 as according to the way you have to file them 22 So like right now, I'll give an 23 23 example, I couldn't deduct -- there's nothing on your taxes. 24 24 to deduct against on my taxes when we took a So when you go to the left -- if 25 25 you go over to the left again -- if you loss of 10 million. So now if we ever get a Page 254 Page 256 distribution again, I've already paid tax on 1 scroll to the left -- scroll to the left if 2 you could, whoever is doing it, so I can see that because the company -- the company lost 3

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the -- all the way to the left. All the way to the left.

So if I'm looking -- shareholder distributions, capital stock, shareholder paid-in-capital, treasury stock, retained earnings, net income a negative, total liabilities and equity you would definitely have to talk to a CPA. I don't think you

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could read this. I don't think I can read 12 it. There's probably very few CEOs who would 13

know what these means. These are for not 14 just for accountants, but these are for CPAs,

15 certified. If I had him on the phone right 16

now, he would be able to explain, well, this

17 was ding, ding, ding, ding. Right?

18 Q. Okay. But to your recollection, I guess, 19 it's not like there was a \$1.9 million

20 distribution made in each of these months in 21 2022?

22 A. No. It's -- you see it's a carryover. Of 23 course. You're looking at each month. Those 24 are carryover numbers. I don't know what's

25 wrong with you. You can see that. There's 3 money on that.

4 On the K-1s -- it didn't help your 5 K-1. But when you would have income -- when 6 you have income from a distribution, you have 7 to pay tax on that or even if it went into inventory. That's the way it worked.

But now -- because I argued with

10 our accountant. I go are you kidding, so all

11 these losses can't go against these peoples 12 -- these employees that got decimated because 13 the company lost its money? He goes, No. 14 But he said if the company shows a profit 15 again and -- then they won't have to on their

16 K-1 -- so, in other words, we can go up

probably about \$10 million now in profit 18 maybe -- if we ever get profitable again and

19 they won't have to pay on their K-1, even 20 though that money will probably go into ever

21 rebuild our inventory. It's a negative.

22 So it's an asset for the 23 stockholders, but it's only good if you ever 24 show a profit again. But these are -- that's the best way I could explain that one. But,

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Page 257 you know, again, I'm not a CPA. He would go -- any CPA -- if you get your own, they can probably go ding, ding, ding, ding, here's what this means. It's a carryover of a loss for the company.

You know, in the last two years we've lost \$20 million, but if one of our employees that made -- let's say he made 75,000 for the year. In the years that he got a distribution he had to pay taxes on that even if he didn't -- even if the company made a lot of money and it wasn't all distribution, he still had to pay tax on that money that went into inventory. But now we have a loss. He doesn't get to take that against his paycheck. It's only if MyPillow ever becomes profitable again.

It's not a good -- it's not good, and it's -- I think that's very unfair. But it's the way our accounting system is set up in this country.

22 Q. Okay. So I'm done with the balance sheets. The last thing I want to look at is the Sales by Customer Summaries that we entered earlier. So these are Exhibits 737

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back then when you're looking at this,

Telebrands had -- they had Wal-Mart, too. 3 So part of the year they had

4 Wal-Mart, and Telebrands in 2018 -- I'm not

sure what year Telebrands left and we took 6 over. MyPillow took over and took over all

the retail stores directly. Telebrands

controlled a lot of them, including Wal-Mart.

9 So the year you're looking at here

10 we -- I believe this was the year that 11 Telebrands left and we had -- we got Wal-Mart

for, like, the last quarter and they had them

13 for the -- part of Wal-Mart for the first

14 three quarters.

15 So these are all -- like Zulily.

16 Zulily was a shopping channel out in -- that

I would have to fly there and do hits on,

just like QVC. It was out in Washington

19 State.

20 All of these are boxes. It's a 21 different kind of -- it's in a box. It's in

a store. You go in there and there's walls of them. QVC is a little different. That's

24 direct to the consumer.

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to 740. And we can start with the first one. which is Exhibit 737.

I believe you testified earlier that these are -- these are generated kind of automatically through the -- I forget the system you said.

7 A. It's EDI compliant or E -- I think that's 8 what they call it. I'm not even sure if it's 9 EDI. It starts with an E. Every -- to do

10 business in retailers, they all want you to

go through -- I think EDI compliant is a

12 credit card thing. This is called a --

13 there's a name for it. It all has to go

14 through this system. If you don't have that,

15 you're probably not going to get into these

retailers. You've got to be -- it's all

17 automated now, most of it.

18 Q. Okay. And so these summaries, then, do they 19 show direct to consumer sales or is it only 20

through the retailers?

21 A. There's no direct to consumer. This is all

22 -- these are all 99.9 percent direct to the

23 -- the consumer comes in and buys. Like

24 Telebrands, Telebrands was all box stores.

25 That was all box stores. That one was -- Page 260

lost except for the top -- I mean, every one 1

2 of them is gone of those top ones there that

are listed.

4 Q. Right. My question was -- I think you

5 answered it, but I just want to make sure I

have it correctly, that these sales by

7 customer summaries show the ones that are

sold in boxes to the customer?

A. These are wholesale costs that we pay. Bed

10 Bath & Beyond, we got from them 12 million.

We didn't get the full price for the pillow.

12 We sell it to them for like \$20 and they sell

13 it to the public for 50. You know what I

14 mean?

15 Q. Right.

A. These are wholesale numbers that we got.

17 These are what MyPillow works off of and

they're very -- they're very -- these are all 18

19 wholesale prices, not retail, if that's what 20 your question is.

21 Q. No. So my question is -- I'm probably

22 articulating it poorly -- if someone calls a

23 call center and orders a product or orders

24 online, those wouldn't be reflected in this

25 sheet, in this summary?

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1 A. Absolutely not. These are -- no, absolutely
2 not. None of this on here. This is what we
3 lost. This is what we lost when we lost the
4 box stores in January of '21. This is the
5 box stores right here. These -- every one of
6 these is gone. And there was a lot more in
7 '21 than here in 2018.
8 We had -- we had Costco. We were

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We had -- we had Costco. We were the biggest product at Costco. We were Wal-Mart's biggest selling product of all time. These are things that -- this was a lot bigger going into January of '21, that we had built up all these box stores. We were the number one product in every one of these retail outlets in the country, bar none.

Even in -- even in -- what do you call it -- like Home Depot and places like this -- all the small hardware stores in the country, there was 162 of them. I did commercials for every one of them individually, and MyPillow became their number one selling product out of 160 some SKUs in a hardware store.

So it's not like these box stores -- they didn't cancel because of slow sales.

1 Q. Okay. So let's say, then, that it's 20

- 2 million-ish from Wal-Mart in 2018?
- A. From Wal-Mart. Yeah, I would say Wal-Mart Wal-Mart could've been 15, 16 million but --
- 5 because I had fourth quarter. Fourth quarter
- 6 we were bigger in Wal-Mart than the other
- 7 quarters.
- 8 Q. So if we go to the next one, then, which is 2019, here Wal-Mart is 14 million, right?
- 10 A. Right. Right. So now you can tell exactly
   11 the year before -- when Telebrands had it,
   12 what they did when we switched, Wal-Mart took
   13 also -- they couldn't get -- there was two
   14 parts to Wal-Mart. And so the part -- it was
- parts to Wal-Mart. And so the part -- it was
   the shelves and then there was the -- what do
   they call it when you have pallets in the
- stores? So third quarter -- or fourth
  quarter is where you have the pallet

promotions. If you ever been in a Walmart,
there would be pallet promotions.
So my guess is of the -- of 20 --

or of 2018 Wal-Mart would have been -- for Telebrands would have been about 9 million because this is for the whole year now. You follow me?

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They cancelled because I was out personally talking about saving our country and an election and they just attacked MyPillow and cancelled MyPillow, I mean, one after another. It was just decimating.

Costco waited four months and -which was the worst because they cost a hundred some people their jobs. And then the second worst was Wal-Mart, but they waited a year later to do it.

- 11 Q. Okay. Yeah. So if we look at the -- well,
  12 so in this year, I guess, Wal-Mart is 5.5
  13 million, right?
- 14 A. But you've got understand there Telebrands
   15 was Wal-Mart. Telebrands -- do you see on
   16 the top there? Telebrands was Wal-Mart. So
- Wal-Mart -- I got rid of Telebrands. Theywere -- they were like a distributor. So
- Telebrands, as seen on TV people, I had
- 20 Wal-Mart for three months. They had Wal-Mart
- 21 for nine months. You follow that?
- 22 Q. So the Telebrands amount is attributable --
- 23 A. Is attributable to Wal-Mart, which is
- 24 probably three-fourths of that 22 million.
- 25 Correct.

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We took the -- we took the big one.

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We took the fourth quarter, which is their pallet promotions, which is huge at that time. It's like having -- you're not just on the shelves, but you're also on the pallets.

So that would have been -- that would have been -- of -- of Telebrands, they also had -- I'm looking at this. They also had -- I believe they might have had Kohl's was their other one. They had Kohl's. I think they had Kohl's, too. So Telebrands had Kohl's and Wal-Mart. If you combine them two, you're about the same as what Telebrands had the year before.

- Q. Okay. And then so the next year, the 2020
  sales by customer, Wal-Mart is down a little
  bit to 12 million, right?
- 18 A. Right. And this is because -- this is19 natural fatigue. When I first came into
- 20 Wal-Mart, which in 2014 let's say -- no,
- 21 2012, that's when Telebrands put in in
- 22 Wal-Mart. That was their -- it went into
- 23 Wal-Mart and the pillow was priced at 69 --
- or was it -- it was 59.98 for a queen-sized
- 25 pillow. That was the -- and MyPillow became

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Page 265 the number one buy-through at Wal-Mart for a 1 that like in -- they all did it, except for \$60 product in history, in the history of 2 the hardware stores, a few of them. 3 3 Wal-Mart. Q. So if we scroll down, there's still six 4 4 And then about a few years later pages' worth of customers on here, right? that price point got dropped down to 49.95. 5 A. It depends in what year. In what year? 6 At that point it became the number one \$50 Q. 2021. 7 product at Wal-Mart. 7 8 So but when you got into 2020, it 8 9 9 was -- it dropped down -- the price -- that's 10 when the price dropped down. For your gross sales we got less for the pillow at Wal-Mart 11 Best, Do It Best Building Center. 12 even though they sold the same amount. So we 12 13 13 had to drop our wholesale price in that year. 14 So that's why it was only 12 million. They 14 15 sold the same -- probably more, but we didn't 15 16 16 get as much as MyPillow -- you follow me --

18 Now, when Wal-Mart dropped us, we 19 were ready to go down to the -- I believe it 20 was the 39.95 price point.

17 because the price point dropped.

21 So as things fatigue in the retail 22 industry, you can do one thing. If you can get your -- you can lower the price and you're going to sell more, which is what we did three times at Wal-Mart.

A. Yeah, but you see that these are just -stop. Stop scrolling. I'm going to show you. They're nothing. These are -- Takota [sic] Home Center, Wrigley's [sic] Do It

These are little ma and pa stores that I told you I went and did advertising for them myself. These are -- if you talk any big one on there, they're all gone.

The lumber and supply company, these are -- these are hardware stores. They didn't desert us. They were the hometown, and they didn't make these decisions. They said, You know what? We're going to keep MyPillow. It's our number-one selling product and we don't care what their CEO is out there doing.

You know, I don't know why they made the decision to stay, but they were the

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Q. Okay. And then -- so it went -- from that 1 2 price fatigue it went down about 2 million, 3 right, because you had to drop the price? 4 A. Yep. Yep. Yep. 5 Q. And then if we go to the next year, 2021, 6 it's about 2 million down again, right? 7 Still 10.7 million from Wal-Mart? 8 A. Uh-huh. That's correct. 9 Q. Okay. 10 A. But you see we lost every other retailer. 11

Every other retailer was gone. And Wal-Mart -- the Wal-Mart store in 2021 realized Wal-Mart -- yeah, it dropped and then -- then they completely dropped us. When you see the 2022 one, then they're gone altogether because they did not want to go to that next price tier, which would have been huge,

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17 18 because of me out there. Some of these 19 places told me straight out either shut up or 20 we're dropping you. You better quit talking 21 about the election. And they told me

22 straight out. And I'm going, you know what, 23 what do I have to do? MyPillow is over here.

24 It has nothing to do with what I'm saying 25 over here. And that was their choice to do

Page 268 smaller ones and they made the decision to 2 stay based on they weren't attacked by bots 3 and trolls or -- or they didn't have people in the town treat them like crap because Mike Lindell is out there talking about elections, 6 you know.

They are the only ones that stayed, were the little ma and pa ones. And I had personally done each and every one of them a favor. I could go right down that list. I flew to their thing, did an appearance, did a radio ad for them personally to help them in their town and -- to get people into their town. Hey, we have MyPillow, even though we're a hardware store. Out of 160,000 SKUs, every one of them, their number-one selling product is MyPillow over screwdrivers, paint, you name it.

19 Q. And so you would -- you would go and you 20 would do radio ads or, you know, visit 21 personally --

22 A. Yep.

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

24 A. Back in the day I did -- I did 162. Here 25 would be a radio ad in a town in -- pick a

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Page 269 1 town USA, Dubuque, Iowa. I would do a read 2 for them. It would say, Come on down to Al's 3 Hardware Store and get the best price of a 4 MyPillow in town and -- you know, the best 5 price in town. They would come -- and then 6 they would come in there looking for the 7 pillows. Some of the hardware stores would put them in the back so they've got to shop around. It was like to get them there. It 10 was -- it was amazing.

And I gave them a -- I gave them a 12 good price so they would help the ma and pa 13 hardware stores. And I did it -- I did 162 14 of them, I know, in a very short period of 15 time. And every one of them, every one of 16 them stayed with us because of that personal 17 thing I did with them. And -- and it's 18 helped them flourish.

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I'll tell you one. If you go up --20 if you go up to the top, I want to bring this 21 one up. Go to the top. Keep going up to the 22 top. So I'm going to -- there's one that's 23 on here I want to bring up. Keep going all 24 the way to the top. It's Hamrick's.

Do you see Hamrick's Department

Page 271 the point that they cancelled. And they made a decision, a political decision, had nothing to do with MyPillow, but they made that decision.

And as you see, even Bed Bath & Beyond went under. We were their number-one selling product of all time. The real public, the real public wanted -- they wanted MyPillow in there. They didn't care what Mike Lindell was out there doing. They wanted MvPillow.

These -- that Hamrick that stayed with us, she's doing just fine and she -- and she didn't have people come in her store hating MyPillow because their CEO is out there. She didn't have people political to go get rid of MyPillow, you know.

This was all a cancelation and very -- very driven against my MyPillow and just very similar to lawfare, like certain companies that I know of.

- 22 Q. For that -- for that Hamrick store, 23 Mr. Lindell, did you -- did you do one of 24 those -- was one of those 162 --
- 25 A. No, I did not. No, that wasn't one of them,

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1 Stores? That lady -- that lady called me up
2 in -- in January of '21 when everyone else
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3 was calling me going shut up or we're

- 4 dropping you and -- and that lady called me
- 5 up and I said, We're not taking them back.
- 6 Because she had a pretty big inventory. And
- 7 I said, You can -- and my VP was in the room.
- 8 I said, You can throw them in the street.
- 9 We're not taking them back, because you think

10 what I am out there doing has anything to do

11 with MyPillow. And she -- she said, Okay,

12 I'm going to keep them, because they had such 13 a big inventory.

Right to this day, because she's 15 with -- she stayed with us -- and I didn't 16 have that choice over the other ones -- it's 17 their number-one selling product. They're 18 selling great. They're doing just fine. She 19 never dropped it, and she is very happy.

And she wasn't attacked by the 21 people or the bots and trolls or this attack 22 job on MyPillow that everyone did out there, 23 these -- whoever these -- social media, these 24 bots and trolls that did an all-out assault 25 on Bed Bath Beyond, Kohl's, all of them, to

Page 272 no. That was a pretty big -- a medium-sized 2 store.

3 As I kept getting calls in January and February of '21 and they're going, You know, we want -- we don't want -- we're going to step aside for now, you know, we can't have you out there talking about this. I go -- I go, What do -- and they are talking to my salesmen at MyPillow. And I would say, 10 You know what? Tell them to talk to me.

11 And I said, You know, what does this have to do with MyPillow? I said, You guys, why would you do that? We're your 14 number-one selling product. And I said, If 15 you make that decision, you're going to hurt 16 yourself and hurt the people. Why would you 17 do that?

And Bed Bath & Beyond, you know, they -- I remember talking to their CMO. 20 They did it anyway.

21 And the first one to do this was 22 HEB, and they said straight out guit talking 23 about this election or we're going to cancel 24 you. They said that. That was an email. 25 Quit talking about these things or we're

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2 I'm going, You know what? I'm 3 going to say, I can't unsee what I have seen 4 and undo what I know. I'm going to do this.

5 And did I know it would hurt MyPillow? They

6 told me straight out it would. But -- but 7 I'm sorry.

8 You know, I fought -- just like I 9 did when I fought in Minnesota for pull tab 10 law changes. It's in my book. I lost everything I had, but I changed -- I changed 12 things that were wrong. And everything I 13 fought for came true in Minnesota with these

14 laws. 15 And I got calls from around

16 Minnesota, the restaurants and bars, saying 17 we know you lost everything, but thank you 18 for holding your ground because you saved our 19 industry.

Well, that's where I'm at. I'm 21 trying to save our election platforms in our 22 country, and -- and I'm not changing. I've 23 lost everything now because of it. And you 24 know what? I've got to live with that, but I 25 would do it all again because we wouldn't

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Page 275 profits when I'm trying to -- shouting out --

2 Q. Just yes or no, Mr. Lindell.

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

A. No. I would have to look at 2020 again. I'd have to see if when you are talking -- gross profit is not your take-home profit, just so you know that. Gross profit is not your -- I would say 20 -- if I look back, I'll bet you 2014 and '15 had a higher gross profit percentage-wise. I would bet for sure it did. That's when MyPillow came out. So I'm 12 not going to answer to that thing of gross 13 profit.

> I would say back then when MyPillow was \$69 and we were selling, it exploded. We were in Wal-Mart. They were their biggest selling product ever. We were -- we had more commercials than anyone had ever bought in history, ever.

I would say '14 and '15 is way higher gross profit, if you want the truth.

22 Q. Well, I don't have those --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

24 A. And 2016. I would bet -- I would bet all of 25 those years, '14, '15, '16, and '17, were

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have anything anyway if we don't have elections. So that's where I'm at.

And these companies literally told me as I was doing it, If you stop now, we will still stick with you. If you stop now, I'll still -- that's why this lawsuit is so ludicrous, they're so crazy, because a year later you guys sue me.

And here's the thing: Do you think I'm that stupid a marketer as I'm losing millions -- hundreds of millions of dollars, everything is crumbling that I built from ground one as an entrepreneur, the American dream, going from a crack addict to where I'm at, that I'm that stupid? If you are -- if you are getting shot, you might want to move out of the way. Well, I didn't do that because I have a bigger thing over here than over here (indicating).

20 Q. Mr. Lindell, I think we --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

22 Q. Mr. Lindell, I think we established earlier 23 that 2021 was, in fact, the highest gross

24 profit year for MyPillow, correct?

25 A. The -- do you think I was looking at gross

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probably for sure all bigger gross profit by 1 2 far, absolutely.

3 Q. But 2018, 2019, and 2020 were lower, correct?

A. That's when MyPillow fatigued. When MyPillow 5 fatigued and we had to come up with other 6 products.

> Like I told you, the next one was MyMattress Topper, which had a higher gross profit because our product cost was a lot higher with a mattress topper.

When you came out with those slippers, the slippers, once again, had a big profit margin, huge profit margin. The slippers were made -- before the shipping thing took effect, we were making them for like, I don't know, 14 and getting \$70 or even upwards of \$89, I think, originally. That had like a 15 percent product cost. You can't beat that. That's unheard of. We didn't have that with MyPillow when I invented it.

So they -- that would be a huge gross profit, but, once again, gross profit doesn't lead to destruction of a company when you lose everything you've got.

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1	You lose here's pre-Mike Lindell
2	talking about the election. Here's
3	afterwards. Let's see. Pre everything is
4	beautiful. You kept getting bigger and
5	bigger and bigger. We were going to be a
6	billion dollar company. After talking about
7	elections, we are now sitting where I'm
8	sitting here right here today with nothing
9	left in the world and I owe \$20 million.
10	Personally and with MyPillow, it's gone.
11	Everything is gone.

So how is your day going? That's where I sit right now as we speak. As I sit here and spend time with you today, I have people, one after another, going, Where is our money? How can I get money? Mike, I need money. Mike, pay us. That's it. That's where I'm at. The house I'm sitting in I owe \$6 million on to the IRS. That's where I'm sitting.

- 21 Q. Mr. Lindell, I want to move on to topic 22 number 18, which is MyPillow's publication or 23 promotion of the documentaries, the Cyber
- 24 Symposium, and/or FrankSpeech content,
- 25 including related work performed by MyPillow
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3 Q. You understand that's a topic for today?

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5 Q. And --

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6 A. I'm sorry?

7 Q. I said do you understand that that's one of 8 the topics that you've been designated to

9 testify to here today?

10 A. Okay. Yes.

Q. And are you knowledgeable of this topic? 11

12 A. Repeat it.

13 Q. Are you the person --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk) 14

15 Q. -- most knowledgeable --

A. Cyber Symposium, yes, I'm the most

17 knowledgeable. You are talking about Cyber

18 Symposium? This isn't MyPillow, though. The

19 most -- I would be the most knowledgeable

20 person at MyPillow because none of them had

21 anything to do with any of this. But, yes,

22 so I would be the most knowledgeable because

23 I know over here and I know over here. So go

24 ahead.

25 Q. And also -- I'm also talking about the

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Absolute Proof documentary, the Absolute

2 Interference documentary, Absolute 9-0, and

3 Scientific Proof.

4 A. Okay. Okay. All right.

Q. So you recall publishing a documentary called

Absolute Proof, correct?

7 A. Yeah, Mike Lindell did. MyPillow would --

8 MyPillow didn't even have a clue it was

getting done at the time. If you're --

10 you're really -- now you're going to get into

a slippery slope.

Nobody at MyPillow knew anything that I was even making a documentary. They knew -- I was -- I was completely away from MyPillow during these times. So no one at MyPillow would have any clue of what was going on in my personal life out there.

So when you're asking me questions, we'll have to pause and say, here, this is what MyPillow knew or this is what Mike Lindell knew. You follow me?

22 Q. Yeah. And I want to look at certain things,

23 certain documents and we can continue to talk 24

about it. So --

25 A. Okay.

Q. First of all, I'm going to play a clip for

2 you -- or, no, we're going to show you a 3 document. We'll put it up on the screen.

4 MR. FREY: All right. So this will

5 be Exhibit 745.

(Deposition Exhibit 745 was marked for identification.)

7 BY MR. FREY:

8 Q. And this is Exhibit 1 to Smartmatic's first

9 amended -- or first supplemental complaint in

10 this action.

A. Yeah. 11

12 Q. If you scroll down, you will see this is a

13 transcript of the audio recording of Absolute

14 Proof.

15 A. Okay.

16 Q. You see that?

17 A. Yep.

18 Q. All right. And if you see right at the start

19 of this, you say, "Hello, everyone, this is

20 Mike Lindell, the CEO of MyPillow." Correct?

21 A. Yep. Okay.

22 Q. You have identified yourself here in the very

23 first statement you make in this documentary

24 as the CEO of MyPillow, right?

25 A. That's right.

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she is talking to a personal friend. That I

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1 Q. After this documentary was released I want	So you can try and say that was
2 to go to what was previously marked as	2 this a MyPillow thing? No. This was this
3 Exhibit 412. You see this is an interview	Beth reaching out as a talk show host asking
or an email, I'm sorry, between Dawn Curtis	4 about this because they seen me. So I get
5 and Beth Schoeneberg?	5 it, yeah.
6 A. I don't know who a talk radio host, yeah.	6 Q. Let's go to what was previously marked as
7 I don't know who Beth is, but anyway.	7 Exhibit 414. Okay? And do you know who Kip
8 Q. Dawn Curtis is a MyPillow employee, correct?	8 Kuroski at Komando.com is?
9 A. That's correct.	9 A. No idea. I'm sure these were all podcasters
10 Q. And is you don't know whether Beth	or they wouldn't have Dawn's phone number
11 Schoeneberg is a MyPillow advertiser?	or I mean her email, you know. I'm sure
12 A. I'm sure she is, but I don't well, I don't	she like I say, she deals with all
13 know. It says Beth at talk show radio.	13 podcasters that want to sell MyPillow, the
14 Probably not, but it doesn't say I don't	14 ones that do sell MyPillow. That's what she
recognize the name and I don't recognize the	15 does.
radio station. So could be not. I don't	16 But I have no idea who Kip Kuroski
17 know. The short answer is I don't know.	17 is. Like I say, we have hundreds of
18 I've never recognize I don't know that	18 podcasters and radio shows.
name and I don't know that talk show.	19 Q. And so Ms. Curtis here of MyPillow writes,
20 Q. So do you see at the first email here at	20 "TV/news stations give this downloadable
the bottom, Ms. Schoeneberg reaches out to	21 link: Random people or customers:" And then
Dawn Curtis of MyPillow and says, "I saw an	she provides another one, right?
interview with Mike last evening. My husband	23 A. I have no idea. I didn't set this part up.
had it May I announce Mike's 3-hour video	24 Q. I'm sorry?
today on my show (regarding the proof of	25 A. I don't know. I didn't set this part up. I
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1 election fraud/stolen)? Do I understand the	1 have I have no idea what she's doing
website correctly mikelindell.com?"	2 there.
3 Do you see that?	3 You have a link to Absolute Proof.
4 A. Yep.	We put it out everywhere on every platform in
5 Q. If we scroll up, you'll see Ms. Curtis	5 the country. YouTube took it down in two
6 responds by sending a link and said she will	6 hours.
7 send a downloadable one when she has it,	7 I don't if Dawn had it it
8 right?	8 looks to me like people or customers got
9 A. Okay.	9 you just sent them to MyPillow.com. And I
10 Q. And then Ms. Schoeneberg says she's watching	guess if a podcaster wanted the actual movie,
now. She placed it on Facebook and plans to	11 then they got this then they got the
put it on her website, too. "I have other	12 actual film. It looks like that is they
internet affiliates who might do that too."	had access to the film or they could download
Do you see that?	14 it.
15 A. Right. My guess is if they were talking to	15 Q. So Dawn Curtis here of MyPillow is sending
16 Dawn, they have a relationship. They could	out to a podcaster the link to this Absolute
be MyPillow advertisers for a long time. I	17 Proof documentary, correct?
18 have no idea.	18 A. I don't know if Dawn did this. She probably
19 Q. And Ms. Curtis, from her MyPillow email	19 did it on her own time. I have no idea.
account, is sharing this video, correct?	We get requests all the time
21 A. Well, you can sit there that's the only	21 from from podcasters, you know. They'll
emails we use. I use my MyPillow email	22 ask so I don't it looks like that she
account for everything, as does Dawn, even if	23 sent them a this person reached out for a
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link. I don't know if they're an advertiser

or not. You would have to ask Dawn.

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Page 285 Page 287 But as far as using her MyPillow 1 1 Smartmatic, I was told I couldn't go on any 2 email, that's the only email she has in her 2 of the shows on Salem, and not even to 3 3 life. Same way that I use my MyPillow email promote MyPillow. I was done. It cost us 4 for everything, no matter what. 4 millions, millions, 5 Everybody uses their emails. We 5 Salem Media was one of our biggest 6 don't have a thing at MyPillow. We all have 6 outlets. Seb Gorka was a host on -- one of 7 one email system. You don't have -- if you 7 the hosts, had his own show on Salem Media. 8 were going to be -- a friend of mine and 8 So I thought, You know what? You need to 9 9 you're emailing me back and forth, I'm going watch this, Sebastian Gorka. This is what 10 to use my MyPillow email. 10 I'm up against. I don't care if you guys 11 Q. Let's go to Exhibit -- what was previously 11 won't let me come on and sell pillows. I marked as Exhibit 418. Are you familiar with want you to see this for our country. 12 12 the Salem Media Group? 13 13 Sebastian Gorka is big into -- he's 14 A. Yes, I'm very familiar with Salem Media 14 a -- he worked in administration, I believe, 15 Group. 15 back in the day, but he was -- this was a 16 Q. And what is --16 particular host. 17 A. They're the ones --17 I was already told by Salem Media I 18 Q. -- Salem Media Group? 18 couldn't come on to sell MyPillows or any --A. They're ones that you guys -- with lawfare 19 or to be -- like I would go on and talk about 20 when you sued Fox News on February 4th, 2021, 20 my company. That ended on the day before 21 that was the last time I was ever to go on 21 this was out when you guys sued Fox News. 22 Salem Media, Fox News, or Newsmax and talk 22 That was another -- I forgot about all that 23 about MyPillow ever again. You guys cost us 23 lost revenue. 24 millions that day. 24 Q. Have you --That's who Salem Media is. They're 25 25 A. I lost -- I forgot about that. Page 286 Page 288 the biggest -- the biggest -- one of the big Q. Let's look at another one. We have 1 2 Exhibit 419, and here we have on this same 2 media groups. iHeartMedia. I forget the 3 day Ms. Curtis sending the documentary on 3 other ones. Salem Media and then you have 4 4 Cumulus Media. They are one of -- they are election fraud, Absolute Proof, to Caleb 5 one of the national media platforms. Svendsen of WWIB.com. Do you see that? 6 Q. Do you see here on February 5th it says, "Hi, 6 A. I don't know who that is. 7 7 Q. The next one, Exhibit 420. Seb. Mike Lindell has released a documentary 8 today about voting fraud. He would like for A. It looks to me like a lot of people reached 9 you to watch it." And then she provides the 9 out to her because she -- that they knew 10 10 link and the downloaded video, correct? she -- that she worked for me. I don't know 11 A. Who did that? Who said -how many, but a lot of people did, I guess. 11 12 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk) 12 Q. Do you see here Friday, February 5th, 2021, A. Okay. And that would be correct because 13 18:09:52, Ms. Curtis sends Woody Zimmerman at 13 14 Dr. -- now I see where it says -- Sebastian kensington.media the same email with the same 14 Gorka is a friend of mine. 15 links? 15 Q. And she is sending around, then, the video to 16 A. I don't know who they are. You've got to 16 17 the Salem Media Group, correct? 17 understand Dawn Curtis has dealt with these A. No. I told her and Dr. -- I probably told 18 guys for eight years. They are her friends, 18 19 these people. They talk to her all the time 19 her send it to Sebastian Gorka. 20 Salem Media, on February 4th when 20 every day. 21 you guys sued Fox News, they ended any 21 So if they seen this, this -- or

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relationship with me ever to come on their show again. So I talked to their executives.

That day, on February 4th of 2021,

when you sued Fox News, Salem Media -- or

this movie, who else they going to reach out

to? They couldn't get a hold of me, so they

simple. That's probably why they're reaching

reached out to her. I mean, that's pretty

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Page 289 1 2 Q. Well, do you see a reach-out on this email 3 from Woody --4 A. What's that? 5 Q. -- to Dawn? 6 A. What's that?

7 Q. Do you see anyone -- do you see Woody --A. I don't know if she -- I don't know if she

9 called Dawn. Dawn wouldn't just send out --10 was there a mass email she sent out? I have

11 no idea. You'd have to ask Dawn. You guys

already deposed her. Ask her. I have no 12 13 idea.

> I didn't tell Dawn to do that, to reach out to Woody Zimmerman. I don't even know Woody Zimmerman. I have no clue who Woody Zimmerman is or three of the other ones you just mentioned.

Seb Gorka, that one it says, Mike wanted you to see that. I don't have his contact for email or whatever or to reach out to him back then, but I wanted him to see that because I was very upset with Salem

After you guys sued Fox News on

1 minute later Ms. Curtis --

A. I probably -- who knows? I probably told her 2 3 to send it, you know, send all your contacts 4 to the podcast, send them this link. I don't 5 know. That's probably what it looks like to 6 me

What would that have to -- what does it have to do with anything? If she had their contacts, I'm going, Here, send them this link to the video, as it was getting cancelled on YouTube and everywhere else.

12 Q. So then --

13 A. This looks like in the --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

15 A. What time in the morning is that? 18 -- you 16 know --

17 Q. That's 6:11 at night, the evening, I believe.

18 A. Yeah.

19 Q. I don't know what the --

20 A. Okay.

21 Q. I don't know what the GMT is, though, what 22

the time stamp --

23 A. Right. So she wasn't -- she certainly wasn't 24 working on the pay clock with MyPillow. You

realize that, right? You realize that she --25

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February 4th, 2021, Salem Media said no more,

you can't come on even to talk about pillows. 3

That's when lawfare started in this country,

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7 Q. This Exhibit 420, it's a time stamp of 8

18:09:52, correct? Do you see that?

9 A. 18:09:52. Okay.

10 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

11 A. Right.

12 Q. So let's look at the next one, Exhibit 421.

13 Here we have 18:10:27. So less than a minute

14 later Ms. Curtis sending the same email with

15 the same link, this time --

16 A. Okay.

17 Q. -- to AnnieDelgado2@icloud.com, correct?

18 A. Okay.

19 Q. You agree Ms. Curtis, MyPillow marketing

20 director, is sending these out serially to --

21 A. She's not the --

22 Q. -- different advertisers?

23 A. She is -- yeah, she sent that. I see that.

24 Q. Let's look at the next one, Exhibit 422.

February 5th, 2021 at 18:11, so about a 25

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like clockwork, she only works until 3:00 in

the afternoon no matter what.

So she was doing this on her own 4 time, probably for me, and she certainly

5 wasn't doing it as a MyPillow employee.

That's her email she uses.

So if that's what you are trying to insinuate, this was done on her own time.

She didn't get paid by MyPillow to send these

10 out. That's a fact.

So there she is. This is 18.

12 That's what I was wondering, what the heck.

No, this is 6:00 at night. So she is not

working for MyPillow then. She is doing it

15 on her own time. She's only got one email,

16 and she probably testified to that already to

17 you guys.

18 All my employees, their email --

19 just like myself, they say, Well, why did you

20 use your MyPillow email? It's the only email

21 I use, period. I don't have a Gmail or a

22 Hotmail or whatever, you know.

23 So this is very easy as -- I don't

know what you are getting at here, but there

25 it is. I probably told her, Hey, if you've

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Page 293 Page 295 1 got these contacts, send them out if you can 1 employee. That's her MyPillow email, but 2 because YouTube is blocking everything from 2 that's all she's got. That's all she uses. 3 people seeing this movie. That would be my 3 I didn't tell employees at our call 4 4 quess. center, Hey, you guys, all heads-up alert, 5 Q. So -- and these contacts are MyPillow 5 everybody tell people to watch this movie. 6 advertisers, correct? 6 No. I reached out to other people in the 7 A. I don't know. I don't know if she -- which 7 country all day long. Hey, can you share 8 ones they are. I don't know. Dawn would 8 this, can you share this? I called them 9 9 have a Rolodex of people because they contact myself. That's what we did. 10 her. 10 But I was too busy actually 11 She's got -- we've got -- a lot of 11 trying -- it's taken down on this platform, 12 these could've been not just MyPillow stuff, 12 on this platform. So I stuck it up on 13 but, you know, if she knew people from other 13 Rumble. I did it on this, my own handles on 14 people, maybe she got -- maybe she reached 14 social media, which I already lost by then. 15 out and said, Hey, do you have contacts for 15 So there is no way to communicate through 16 all the -- all the other broadcasters? 16 social media. People had to do that 17 I tried to get it out everywhere. 17 organically. 18 I didn't just tell Dawn. I probably told 18 Q. Let's look at Exhibit 427. You see this is 19 everybody, Hey, put this up, share it 19 the exact same email, exact same title, this 20 everywhere, share it everywhere. I tried to 20 time to Lee at lifechangingradio.com. 21 21 A. Who cares? It's 6:00 at night. She's on her get it shared everywhere. I was getting 22 blocked at every corner, you know, blocked, 22 own time. MyPillow had nothing to do with 23 blocked, blocked. We should get it out 23 it. So keep showing them all day long. Dawn 24 there. Facebook -- contains nudity or porn, 24 did this on her own time. She just happened 25 that's what they put over the top of it. 25 to have -- that's the only email she has. Page 294 Page 296 1 I just talked to Alan Duke, the 1 I'm sorry that she didn't think to take her 2 2 Facebook fact-checker. He says he didn't do email and send it from an undercover email. 3 3 that. He said it was Zuckerberg himself or You know, give me a break. 4 those people. 4 What else you got here? Come on. 5 But, no, this was -- I tried to get 5 Q. Would you disagree, then, with Ms. Curtis's 6 it everywhere. I contacted other people, Hey 6 testimony in this case, which I'm guessing 7 7 send it out to anyone else you know. I did you have not reviewed, correct? 8 it all day long. So, you know --8 A. No. I haven't reviewed anything.

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9 Q. So you were --

(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

Q. So I understand your testimony, you were 11 12 asking the MyPillow employees to share this 13 video --

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(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

16 A. I never asked one MyPillow employee. You're 17 lying. I didn't say -- I asked -- not one 18 MyPillow employee was asked to do this. 19

Dawn Curtis was asked if you -- why don't you check emails. You think I sent out emails, Hey, everybody watch this movie? No, I did not. This is to Dawn Curtis on her own time. I said, Hey, will you get this movie out? Send this -- send this movie out to any podcasters. She didn't do it as a MyPillow

9 Q. You disagree with her that she sent these out 10 per your request?

A. She probably did send them out per my 11 12 request, but she did it on her own time. I 13 wouldn't have her do stuff with MyPillow.

> My son would have a fit. Are you kidding? These guys are -- these guys are -why don't you talk to my son. He is a left -- he is on the left politically. He would -- there was no way that he would ever mix MyPillow with anything I ever did with Donald Trump or with the elections or anything, and that's a fact. And anyone will tell you that in MyPillow.

I didn't go to them in the call center and say, Hey, do this. You know, you guys have got to promote this. No. Any of

25 Q. And then she said, "This can be sent after

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1	Page 297 our ads were done separately out there. We	Page 299 1 10:45 a.m. Central Time to our affiliates
2	never we never could mix politics into the	2 (that's when we're posting it on social
3	ads. We never did anything like that.	3 media)." Right?
4	We didn't put MyPillow ads even in	4 A. Okay. Okay.
	the Cyber Symposium. Contrary to everybody's	
5		5 Q. Okay. And if you scroll up
6	belief out there, that's not true. RSBN was	6 A. By the way, Katelyn does not work for
7	there. They are a MyPillow customer, what	7 MyPillow. She works for Lindell Management,
8	these guys do.	8 and that's a fact. So once again she's using
9	Dawn Curtis did this on her own	9 a MyPillow email that she used to have a long
10	time and she now, did she have a Rolodex	time ago when she worked at MyPillow. She
11	of people that she talked to? Absolutely.	works for Lindell Management. She does not
12	If I ordered her to? Yes, I probably did or	work for MyPillow, and she did not back then
13	she probably wouldn't have you know, on	13 either.
14	her own time maybe she done it. She did it	14 Q. But Dawn Curtis worked for MyPillow, correct?
15	as a favor to me. Here, send it out to all	15 A. Dawn Curtis worked for MyPillow.
16	the podcasters.	16 Q. And then so you see the next email up at
17	But she certainly didn't get paid	17 15:09, which would be 3:09, Ms. Curtis sends
18	for it from MyPillow, because that's a fact.	18 out press release to Steve Dubbels at
19	She works like clockwork. You can go back in	19 iHeartmedia.com, right?
20	time. Every day, 3:00 done.	20 A. Yep.
21	Q. Mr. Lindell	21 Q. If we scroll down to the press release
22	A. Most people and, by the way, most people	22 itself, you see it says, "Mike Lindell TV
23	at MyPillow had no clue what I was out there	23 releases irrefutable election theft proof on
24	doing or what I was doing because I wasn't	24 new television special that features world
25	there at that time. I was out all over the	25 renowned physicist"?
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1	country because of death threats and	1 A. That's correct.
2	everything else from who knows who saying	2 Q. And the press release says, on March 31st,
3	shut up about this election, shut up about	3 "Mike Lindell, the CEO of MyPillow, released
4	it, shut up about these machine companies,	4 a one-hour television special." Right?
5	shut up about China. You better do this or	5 A. Yep.
6	else. You've got a pretty nice family. This	6 Q. And so this is this press release that
7	is what I had to deal with.	7 Ms. Curtis is sending out to iHeartMedia at
8	Q. Mr. Lindell, who is Katelyn Gamlin?	8 the direction of Ms. Gamlin is talking about
9	A. She's my executive assistant right now.	9 the Scientific Proof documentary that was
10	Q. I want to post here what was previously	10 released by Mike Lindell, the CEO of
11	marked as Exhibit 443. You released	11 MyPillow, right?
12	A. Shy's my executive assistant for Lindell	12 A. Right. Yep.
13	Management, not for MyPillow.	13 Q. I want to ask you about on the third page of
14	Q. You released Scientific Proof in March of	14 this exhibit it says, "Scientific Proof is
15	2021, correct?	the follow-up to the two-hour documovie,
16	A. That's correct.	16 Absolute Proof, that was released on
17	Q. And you see here this is March 31st, 2021	17 February 5th, 2021 and was seen by 70 million
18	from kg@mypillow.com. Is kg@mypillow.com	18 people in the first four days of its release
19	Katelyn Gamlin?	19 and over 150 million to date across 42
20	A. Yes.	20 countries."
21	Q. And at 9:56 a.m. on Wednesday, March 31st,	21 Do you see that?
22	she emails Ms. Curtis of MyPillow, subject	22 A. Yep.
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23	matter "Press Release," correct?	23 Q. And then there is a link to where they can
1	A. Yep. I see that.	<ul><li>Q. And then there is a link to where they can</li><li>watch Scientific Proof, right?</li></ul>

25 A. Okay. Yep.

BY MR. FREY:

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1 Q. And then at the bottom it says, "All media	1 Q. Can you see that this is one of the
2 inquiries"	2 this
3 MR. FREY: Scroll down	3 MR. FREY: I guess for the record,
4 Q "can be emailed to	4 this document has Bates stamp DEF034498.
5 mediainquiry@mypillow.com." Right?	5 BY MR. FREY:
6 A. Yep.	6 Q. You see this is a text message chain between
7 Q. So this press release, being sent out by a	7 you and Mr. Brannon Howse?
8 MyPillow employee to iHeartMedia, is	8 A. Uh-huh. Yep.
9 referencing you as the CEO of MyPillow	9 Q. And Brannon Howse was the producer for the
10 releasing this documentary and saying that	10 documentaries, correct?
11 inquiries should come to a MyPillow.com email	11 A. By the way, when you see "boss" up there,
12 address, right?	that's my assistant, it looks like, the 1770.
13 A. That's what it looks like. I've I've	13 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
14 never seen this press release, and I had no	14 A. I was wondering what "boss" meant. That's
15 idea they were sending them to	15 that's my assistant. That's either Katelyn
16 mediainquiry@mypillow.com. I guess that	or whoever Shannon, maybe, back then. I
17 would have been, you know, the I don't	17 don't know. That phone is the so that
even know who reads them. I guess Dawn? Who	phone is an assistant, I believe, because it
19 sent this out? Dawn? Is that what it says?	19 says, "Boss." That's what I "Can you be
20 Q. Dawn sent this out to Steve Dubbels at	with me on TV and Mary Fanning Sunday night?
21 iHeartMedia.	21 Okay. This is when?
22 A. Okay. Well, then Dawn I guess Dawn put	22 Q. Okay. So this is this is starting
23 that together with I don't know who wrote	23 January 21, '16, but I want to go down in
24 it and I don't know who who the media	24 this. I just wanted to orient you to the
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25 Q. Let's go down to --

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1	3	1	MR. FREY: For Julie's reference,
2	,	2	let's mark what's tab 9.
3	•	3	THE WITNESS: Just so it's on the
4		4	record, I need another break at 4:45 Central.
5		5	MR. FREY: All right. And for the
6	3 ,	6	record, this Exhibit 747 is Exhibit 16 to
7	9 ,	7	Smartmatic's first supplemental complaint in
8	<b>5</b>	8	this action and it's a transcript of the
9	me for that was paid by was paid by me and	9	audio recording of the Pete Santilli show on
10	Lindell Management, not MyPillow. He was not	10	February 24th, 2021.
11	. ,	11	(Deposition Exhibit 747 was marked for identification.)
12	absolutely a hundred percent not.	12	BY MR. FREY:
13	3 Q. So your testimony is that Todd Carter was not	13	Q. Do you recall appearing on the Pete Santilli
14	. ,	14	show to promote the Absolute Proof
15	5 A. I believe he was a Lindell Management	15	documentary?
16	employee. So that he divided his wage out	16	A. No idea. I don't recall because I went on
17	in between all of them, just like I testified	17	everything I could go on.
18	B earlier.	18	Q. You went to many different locations to
19	Q. So he worked for both entities?	19	A. I would go I would go on anything to get
20	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	20	the word out. Are you kidding me? I think
21	,	21	I've done that for three and a half years.
22	3	22	When have I stopped? I mean, that's a crazy
23	•	23	question. Of course I would. Anybody that
24	,	24	would let me go on, because I certainly
25	for FrankSpeech, he got billed for	25	couldn't go on Salem Media and Fox News or
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1	•	1	Newsmax after you guys sued Smartmatic
2		2	sued Fox News on February 4, 2021. That ship
3		3	sailed. So anybody would have me, I would go
4	3	4	on.
5	•	5	Q. And if you look at this full transcript here,
6		6	and we can go to we can take our time
7	9	7	through it if you want, but at the end of the
8	<b>5</b> ,	8	transcript
9		9	A. Yeah.
10	·	10	Q your interview with Mr. Santilli ends,
11	·	11	right? And you say, "Well, thank you and my
12	•	12	employees thank you all and God bless you."
13		13	Right?
14		14	A. Right. Absolutely. We were being attacked
15	,	15	by everything in the country, including you
16	• •	16	guys or your people you represent. So
17	. , ,	17	everybody attacking MyPillow to destroy
18		18	MyPillow, and by then I guess it wasn't
19	•	19	you. You waited a whole year to do it.
20	•	20	But Dominion came after MyPillow
21	-	21	instead of Mike Lindell, and when that
22		22	happened, these comments here had nothing to
23	B Lindell. Good one, though. Good try. What	23	do with Smartmatic. It has to do with the

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attack on MyPillow and I'm saying, Hey, my

employees appreciate you guys supporting us,

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Page 309 because we were losing every box store in the 2 country. 3 My whole thing shifted when I -- I 4 couldn't go on -- like I say, Newsmax, Fox News, Salem Media, and a lot of places 6 wouldn't have me on because they -- they were 7 afraid of you suing them, too, because -even for me being on there. 8 9 But I'm going on there -- like 10 going on this Pete Santilli show, he's selling product. And I'm going, Yeah, thank 12 you for supporting us because we're getting 13 killed, we're getting crushed. My employees 14 and I thank you for selling our product. God 15 bless you. It's a beautiful thing, right?

16 I have been doing that for three 17 and a half years. Thank you for -- I do it 18 every day. Every single day of my life I go 19 on there. My employees thank you for all 20 your support right now. We've lost our box 21 stores. We lost our shopping channels. 22 We've lost everything. Thank you for the 23 people buying our product that are supporting 24 us.

I don't know what else you want me

ballots hand counted.

I got cancelled this last year, just this year. Why? Because I want to go to paper ballots hand counted. Nothing about the 2020 election. We're talking about paper ballots hand counted. Get rid of these electronic voting machines permanently that 132 other countries have banned.

And tell the world about cast vote records in LA County, how it shows a hundred percent that there was machine manipulation in LA County. Oh, who has LA County? I get it, Smartmatic.

Go ahead. Keep going.

- 15 Q. So, Mr. Lindell, you agree that you're going 16 on the air to talk about election fraud, 17 right, on the Pete Santilli show?
- 18 A. No. I'm going -- he's having me on his show, 19 that's correct.

20 But you also have another thing 21 going on. These people would have me on any 22 time, whether I was talking about addiction 23 in our country, whatever.

> Nothing -- the only thing that changed that people would have me on for was

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to say there, but -- what's next?

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- 2 Q. This interview -- this interview was about 3 your publication of Absolute Proof, right, 4 and your claims of election fraud?
- 5 A. I have no idea what -- I have no idea what 6 the interview was about. I have no idea. 7 You've got the transcript here. I'm thanking 8 you -- my employees and I thank you for 9 support of buying my pillows.

Pete Santilli gets a revenue share for selling MyPillows. That's pretty simple. Of course he's going to have -- gee, you're going to have Mike Lindell on and I'm going to talk about why we're getting cancelled.

If you remember, when Newsmax ripped their microphone off because MyPillow's Twitter account got cancelled, but they wouldn't say why it got cancelled.

That's the whole thing, what this is all about. I could go on any other time and say, Mike, they're cancelling you. You just lost all your companies. How do you feel? Well, you know what? Our country was attacked and everyone is upset that I want to talk about this election and talk about paper

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they started having me on to talk about our election platforms, to talk about our

3 election. They would have me on that.

4 They were still -- the consistent, they always sold MyPillow. They always sold MyPillow. Someone didn't have me on that 7 didn't sell MyPillow, you know.

8 They would have me on. They would have me on. This was the topic of the day. 10 Instead of me telling people to help people all over the country giving pillows and

12 helping people, spending millions on homeless people and helping them and bringing them on

14 the show and say, Hey, by the way, you know,

15 Mike has got MyPillow. He also is an 16 advertiser on this show. That went on for

17 vears. 18

The only thing that changed was the 19 topic of these machine companies, which is 20 Dominion, ES&S, and Smartmatic, you know. There's ES&S and Smartmatic, you know. 21

I'm not -- I'm not after any one 23 machine company. They all got to go. We've got to get to paper ballots hand counted. So 25 you guys don't have to feel bad that I'm just

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1	picking on you guys. I'm not picking on
2	anybody.
3	This is real and we have to save

This is real and we have to save 4 our country, and you guys --

5 Q. Mr. Lindell --

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(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)

7 A. Your jobs depend how this ends. Your guys' 8 own jobs depends how this ends. We ain't 9 gonna have a country if we don't have 10 elections.

11 Q. So now you are on the show and you say, "If these machines are not gone, if they're not 12 13 gone, the world is done. Okay."

14 A. That's right.

15 Q. "USA is done when you said" --

A. I just got done explaining it to you again.

17 Q. "USA is done when you said it earlier, that 18

Smartmatic started machines in Venezuela 19 around 2001, 2002. When they -- when they

20 brought them in there, they invented them and

21 brought them in there and took that country

22 down in two years. It was brought into the

23 US. They split with Dominion, ES&S, and

24 Smartmatic. It's all -- all their built for

25 is to steal elections." Right?

Page 315 1 podcast. That's just like it would be on Fox 2 News.

3 But Fox News and Newsmax and Salem 4 Media you guys scared because you sued everybody so they wouldn't let me run ads. They wouldn't let me be on their show to talk about why I'm getting cancelled. That's the only difference.

9 Pete Santilli didn't care. He let 10 me come on there and talk about how to save our country, but he still ran the same

MyPillow ad he's always ran since day one.

That part didn't change, you know. 13

14 The only thing that changed is you guys went after MyPillow, who had nothing to do with this, and attacked them. It's very 16 simple. And you destroyed the company. Now 18 there is nothing left of MyPillow. Boy, that 19 was great marketing, wasn't it?

20 No, I didn't try and market it. I 21 wanted to save our country, which I'm doing 22 right now, which you're all -- you're on the 23 wrong side, you guys.

24 You guys really -- you know, I 25 believe God is going to protect our country,

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1 A. Yep.

2 Q. That's the message that you're sharing on the 3 Pete Santilli show on February 24th, 2021 --

4 A. Right.

5 Q. -- correct?

6 A. Yeah, absolutely correct.

7 Q. And then if we look at this transcript, at

8 the end of your interview, where you see

9 "Mike Lindell" at the bottom, this begins an

10 ad for MyPillow, correct?

11 A. Yep.

12 Q. "Hello, I'm Mike Lindell, and as you know, my 13 passion is to help each and every one of you 14 get the best sleep of your life."

15 A. Right.

Q. So now after you are talking about Smartmatic 16

17 being created to steal elections and coming

18 into this country to rig every election,

19 we're running a MyPillow advertisement,

20 right?

21 A. This is an ad he runs in his show every day.

22 That's -- I didn't -- this is an actual

23 MyPillow ad. I started using the world's

24 best cotton. I didn't read this during his

25 show. It's a MyPillow commercial on his Page 316

get rid of the machines, get us to paper ballots, and you guys will still have jobs.

You'll probably be working for somebody else,

but, you know, a lawyer is a lawyer. You can

5 find them, you know.

6 I'm just saying that's where I'm at, and I'm not changing. I'm not going to sit here and say, Well, you know what? Back then I thought this, but I changed my mind 10 now. No, I didn't change my mind, even 11 though that you guys destroyed MyPillow and 12 that everything out there that got cancelled 13 and destroyed.

14 How I sit right now, would I change 15 anything? Absolutely not. I wouldn't change a thing knowing what I know. You can't 17 change what I've seen and know what I know.

You can't sit here right now and 19 tell me -- the cast vote records that come 20 right out of the machines in LA County have 21 shown a hundred percent they had machine 22 manipulation and that China intruded into 23 that, specifically into LA County.

24 So, you know, I'm not -- you think 25 I'm going to stop talking about it? No, I'm

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1	not. Absolutely not. No matter what	1 evangelizing on there, talk about God all the
2	happens, I'm never going to stop talking	2 time when I did a full surrender in Jesus
3	until we get to paper ballots hand counted,	3 Christ. Yep.
4	period.	4 MR. FREY: So this Exhibit 748 was
5	Q. Mr. Lindell, just a quick side note since you	5 Exhibit 20 to Smartmatic's first supplemental
6	said that. What evidence have you seen to	6 complaint.
7	support the statement you just made?	7 (Deposition Exhibit 748 was marked for identification.)
8	MR. KACHOUROFF: I'm going to	8 BY MR. FREY:
9	object	9 Q. And you will see here
10	(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)	10 MR. FREY: If we could scroll down.
11	MR. KACHOUROFF: Hold on, Mike.	11 Q that this is a
12	Are you asking in his capacity as a 30(b)(6)	12 MR. FREY: Go back up.
13	designee or are you asking him in his	13 BY MR. FREY:
14	individual capacity?	14 Q. This is a transcript of the Eric Metaxas
15	MR. FREY: Well, he is testifying	15 radio show on March 30th, 2021, correct?
16	here as a 30(b)(6) designee	·
17	(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)	17 Q. And going to the first page here, he says
18	MR. FREY: as a designee.	18 Mr. Metaxas says, "Hey, folks, welcome back.
19	THE WITNESS: I don't know what	19 I have our friend Mike Lindell of
20	that means. MyPillow would have MyPillow	
21	has nothing to do with this. If you are	21 he is. Mike, you look like you're in an
22	asking me personally, I'll tell you right	22 airport closet."
23	now. I'll give you a two-minute	23 Do you see that?
24	MR. KACHOUROFF: He is not asking	24 A. Yep.
25	you personally. He is asking you as a	25 Q. And so he is identifying you as the
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1	Page 318 designee, Mike.	Page 320 1 MyPillow.com guy, right?
1 2		1 MyPillow.com guy, right?
	designee, Mike.	<ul><li>1 MyPillow.com guy, right?</li><li>2 A. Everyone in the world knew me as that. I was</li></ul>
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got the MyPillow, the generation that grew up 1 2 with the MyPillow jingle, you know. 3 They -- so you can -- and he put 4 MyStore. These are for entrepreneurs. You 5 know, there's another platform. The fame of 6 MyStore. I went -- to fight Amazon I went 7 and started MyStore. Thousands of 8 entrepreneurs that have no other platform, a 9 safe platform, and hundred -- thousands of 10 USA-made products.

> I don't know what your tying in there. Are you going to sue MyStore too? Is that what this is all about? Keep going. I can't help what the host says.

15 Q. Up here -- so let's go to the next -- the bottom of the page 2 here, and you say -- you 16

17 say, "Well, right now we just finished. 18 There's three things. They're all equally

19 important. First one is we're coming out

20 with a documentary at noon on Wednesday.

21 It's -- it's a one hour of a news cyber guy

22 news. Actually, he is a scientist and he was

23 so good in my new show Absolute Interference,

24 that we made a separate one of him coming out

25 at noon on Wednesday." Right?

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1 A. That's correct. Yep. Yep.

2 Q. And Mr. Metaxas says, "Wait, wait, wait.

3 Tomorrow. Wednesday tomorrow?" And then he

asks where they can see it, right? 4

5 A. Yep.

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6 Q. And you say, "Tomorrow. LindelITV.com.

7 LindellTV.com. And we're going to share with

8 everyone in the world up the links and

9 they -- it's amazing because every -- even in

10 your own towns you can now check out and see

11 what really happened in your election. It's

12 a beautiful thing. We can see what the

13 machines did." Right?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. And then "LindelITV.com. Now, do people need

to use the code Eric to get a big discount? 16

17 Well, you know, they could use that at

18 MyPillow.com." Correct?

19 A. Um-hmm.

20 Q. So you're tying a promotion code here to get

21 a big discount on --

22 A. I'm not --

23 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

24 A. I'm not doing anything. This is the same

25 host doing what he has done for ten years

Page 323 when I'm on his show. You can go back. I can show you -- every single Metaxas show or show, this is what they do. They promote

their code and they -- because he is on a rev 5 share, they promote their code.

The topic could be -- like I just

did one the other day and it was all about me 7 being saved. I did three events this week.

Two of them were completely about my story

10 going from a crack addict to where I'm at as

11 a CEO of a big -- of MyPillow. That was --

12 that testimonial. That's all Eric is doing

13 here. Hey, buy -- you know, he had me on for 14 one thing. He had me on for this, you know.

15 It will be just like daily when I

16 go on shows right now. I'll go on Steve

Bannon. If you guys watch that, I will go on

18 the War Room. They might have me to talk

about new evidence like just came out, stuff

20 that -- like Georgia where they hacked into a

21 machine with a ballpoint pen right in her

22 courtroom and flipped it and she is still

23 sitting pending in court or the other day

when Smartmatic's president got in trouble in

25 the Philippines for bribery. I went on

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Bannon's to talk about that, but I still did 2

my very normal read about MyPillow. One had nothing to do with the other. This one is all the time because --

5 MvPillow's ads and this one over here is 6 news. And that was big news that day, when 7

Smartmatic's president got indicted for 8 bribery in the Philippines. I knew about

9 that because I have done my due diligence on

10 Smartmatic. I know how bad they can be.

11 Q. But on this day, on the Eric Metaxas show in

12 March of 2021, you're going on the show to

13 talk about alleged election fraud and

14 Smartmatic?

15 A. Yep.

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16 Q. And you're also present while Mr. Metaxas is 17

promoting a code to buy MyPillow products,

19 A. He does that every show -- every show he has

20 whether I'm on or not. Every show he has. I 21 don't see where one is relevant to another.

22 Every show Eric Metaxas does, whether Mike

23 Lindell is on or not -- think of me as two

24 separate things. There's Mike Lindell the

25 CEO of MyPillow represent -- holding MyPillow

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	Page 22F		Do no 207
1	Page 325 and there is Mike Lindell that's out there	1	Q. You see here this is a transcript of
2	trying to save a country talking individually	2	Mr. Carter's deposition?
3	about about these machine companies and	3	A. Okay. Yep.
	•		•
4	going to paper ballots.	4	Q. Okay. So if we go down to page 22
5	Now, I want to tell you, there's a	5	A. Yep.
6	perfect example. So here's Salem Media,	6	Q of Mr. Carter's deposition, you see so
7	Newsmax, and Fox. I can never go on there to	7	Mr. Carter is being asked about Ms. Cronin,
8	talk about MyPillow ever again, ever again	8	right?
9	because of you guys with lawfare. They're	9	"Question: Do you see Ms. Cronin is
10	afraid that if I do, people are going to go,	10	identified as a chief of staff for Lindell
11	Well, there is Mike Lindell. He is going to	11	Management?
12	say something about our elections and so,	12	"Answer: Yes.
13	I mean, it works both ways there.	13	"Question: Does that refresh your
14	But Eric Metaxas advertises	14	recollection that in January of 2021
15	MyPillow every single day. It doesn't matter	15	Ms. Cronin was the chief of staff for Lindell
16	if they are talking about cows in a pasture	16	Management?
17	or or Mike Lindell coming on talking about	17	"Answer: According to this, she is,
18	corrupt companies. Okay?	18	yes."
19	Q. All right. Mr. Lindell, I'm going to switch	19	Do you see that?
20	to a new topic, and I know you need a break	20	A. Okay.
21	in eight minutes, so let's	21	Q. And then:
22	A. I need I need yep, eight minutes. Yep.	22	"Question: So at the bottom of first
23	MR. FREY: So I'm going to say so	23	page, moving to the second page, there is an
24	let's just go off the record now.	24	email from Ms. Cronin to you dated January
25	THE WITNESS: Okay.	25	25th, 2021 at 11:45 a.m. Do you see that?
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it's -- I thought it was more like 2022 when

his employment -- his official employment

check on that to validate that, but if

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1 "Oues	Page 329	1		Page 331
	tion: Have you ever discussed with ell whether you should be a MyPillow	1 2		I might have told him then that,
	-			Hey, we're going to be switching you and
1	e rather than a Lindell Management	3		making these changes. I would have to check
4 employe		4		on that to give you an answer, the exact time
	ver: No."	5	$\sim$	in 2021 that he switched.
	answering this? Todd Carter?	6	Q.	And you didn't you didn't look into
	Todd Carter, correct.	7		Mr. Carter's employment history in
8 A. Okay.	_	8	۸	preparation for today's deposition, right?
	we scroll down.	9	A.	No. I had to just I know that I switched
	stion: You've been employed by	10		him back to a MyPillow employee the same
1	v since February of 2021, correct?	11		time that the reason was because of
	ver: Yes.	12		MyStore going standalone and paying directly
	stion: Have you been employed by any	13		to to MyPillow for their services. So
	mpany since February of 2021?"	14		but I really believe it was later in '21.
	hen there is an objection and then	15		And you guys don't have either
	ver: No."	16		Todd is probably making a recollection that
	o you see that?	17		it was February, and I don't know what time
18 A. Yeah.	tion. However, book asid by say.	18		it was. If it was in February, what time
	tion: Have you been paid by any	19		that would be. Does he say in his deposition
1	y other than MyPillow since February of	20		what when the exact day the change was
	your professional services?	21	_	made?
	er: No."	22	Q	. He says February 2020 or 2021, excuse me.
	orrect?	23		And if you saw there, he was referencing an
1	see that testimonial.	24		email from Ms. Cronin to him January 21st,
25 Q. So is it	your does it still remain your	25		2021, indicating that he would be shifted
1 opinion t	Page 330	1		from Lindell Management to
1	hat Mr. Carter was not a MyPillow	1	۸	from Lindell Management to
	e as of February of 2021?  - I didn't know the exact time that	3	Α.	But no, no, it didn't say he would be. It
	hed him to MyPillow because he was			said Mike thought it would be better. If you
	ore work for MyPillow.	4 5		pull it up, it didn't say he was shifted. I
_	nd the discussion that was made			can make one phone call here and I can find
		6 7		the exact date. For all I know, it was May.
	my son, the board, the the ng, and the internal lawyer, I	8		By the time we got done, it could've been May
	-			when he was officially switched over.
	happened later than February of if he's right I don't know if	9		He's just looking at your emails.
	ike to double-check that.	10 11		He gets a paycheck auto put in his in his account. My guess is that you guys are
	e was an employee of Lindell	12		completely wrong, that it's it might not
	ment up until whenever I switched him,	13		have been done until May.
1	I conferred with that's about	14		We had a lot of stuff going on in
	e time we made a new deal where these	15		January and February at MyPillow. I don't
	- these places would be billed	16		think the focus would have been on switching
1	ally, like MyStore would pay MyPillow	17		•
	for services.			employees around.
,	or services.  o we did some changing that I	18 19		That was a suggestion that I made
	lieve it was in February of 2021.			to Sarah Cronin, and she passed it on to
20 don't be	neve it was in rebludly 01 2021.	20		Todd. It didn't say you will be switching on

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this date, does it? Let's see here. These

email. Pull up that email to Sarah Cronin.

I -- I can find out. I can call HR

are Todd's questions, and you're showing an

I mean, this is all hearsay because

24 A. Okay. I never -- I didn't know he had a

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LinkedIn profile and I don't use LinkedIn, so

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1	department and find out exact dates. I would	1		I have no idea what he puts on LinkedIn.
2	say I'm more right than this is here.	2	Q.	And Mr. Carter is asked:
3	You joined my in January of	3		"Did you prepare the information in your
4	2018. So, you know, he's just answering	4		LinkedIn profile?
5	questions. I'm sure Todd Carter didn't go	5		"Answer: Yes."
6	check all the exact dates before you deposed	6		Correct?
7	him. I didn't even know he was deposed.	7		Okay.
8	But I'm just saying that the I	8		And then Mr. Connolly begins to question him
9	can check on the exact date if it was	9		about the second page titled Experience. Do
10	February 28th or May 1st of '21. I didn't	10		you see that?
11	think it got switched until '22.	11		Yeah.
12	Because it wasn't just him that got	12		And then going down to the next page
13	switched. It was also one lawyer got	13		Okay.
14	switched. I believe that time that I think	14	Q.	I'm sorry. On page 20 they're still talking
15	Doug Wardlow got switched over. We made	15		through Mr. Carter's LinkedIn profile.
16	there was some MyStore employees that got	16		"Question:" Page 20, line 8. "You
17	switched into MyStore employment rather than	17		became the chief technology officer of
18	Lindell Management. There was a big shift.	18		MyPillow in February of 2021, correct?
19	But I don't believe it would have been in	19		"Answer: That's correct.
20	February when things were moving so fast. I	20		"Question: Are you still the chief
21	think it was later.	21		technology officer at MyPillow?
22	Q. And and I want to look at his testimony	22		"Answer: Yes, sir."
23	here for a second, but when you're saying you	23		
24	think it might have been later, your thought	24		So Mr I'm trying to orient you to the
25	is it might have been May of 2021?	25		fact that Mr. Carter was testifying based
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	A. It could have been, or even 2022.	1		upon his
2	This says that just because it	2		I don't care I don't care what he
3	was suggested to Todd and this was all	3		testified. I'd have to look at the facts. I
4	about this was all about we didn't have to	4		always look at the facts. I would have to
5	divide out the companies anymore so much	5		call HR and say when did he actually do the
6	because MyStore went to be a standalone.	6		switch.
7	So before it was originally set	7		Todd Carter didn't probably look at
8	up because Todd was doing work for MyStore,	8		his profile then. I don't care what he puts
9	the Lindell Foundation, which wasn't doing	9		on his LinkedIn. I have people that work for
10	anything then, and the Lindell Recovery	10		MyPillow that put MyPillow.
11	Network and then MyPillow.	11		He was never acting in the capacity
12	So, you know, when he went back	12		of MyPillow doing work for other companies.
13	there, if obviously he went back there. I	13		That's a fact. He's not getting paid by
14	do remember him going back. I just don't	14		MyPillow to do stuff outside of MyPillow.
15	know when, but just I would highly doubt that	15		That's why we have Lindell Management.
16 17	it was February of '21.	16 17		So if he came in, they would have to
	Q. Mr. Lindell, if you look here on page 16 of			have you would MyPillow would have to
18	Mr. Carter's deposition, line 4.	18		bill back whatever company that was he did
19	"Question: We're handing you now what	19		work for. So MyPillow would actually have to
20	we've marked as Exhibit 332. Exhibit 332 is	20		bill MyStore if he did work for MyStore.
21	a copy of your LinkedIn profile, correct?"	21		This is what we had to do prior to
22	A. Whose LinkedIn profile?	22		Lindell Management, and I decided, well,
23	Q. Mr. Carter's.	23		let's go back to that because most of of

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his work was MyPillow, not all of it, because

he lost a big chunk with MyStore. So I don't

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he -- for all I know, he's liberal, if that's

23 Q. My question was whether he did work, and I

what -- if you're talking politics.

want to look at the next exhibit,

Exhibit 748, which is tab --

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Page 337 Page 339 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.) know what you're getting at here. A. Anything he did work -- anything he did work 2 Q. Okay. Mr. Lindell, I placed -- or we placed 2 3 on the screen for you what was previously 3 outside of -- anything that -- it didn't have 4 4 to do with MyPillow. He was not working in marked as Exhibit 332, and this is 5 Mr. Carter's LinkedIn profile. 5 MyPillow's capacity. That's what I'm trying 6 6 And you will see there it says, to tell you. 7 7 "Chief technology officer MyPillow, Inc. If he did work for FrankSpeech, 8 February 2021 to present." Correct? 8 he's not doing it for MyPillow. If he did 9 work anything -- I don't know if he did for 9 A. Okay. All right. And what time -- what 10 10 time -- if he says it was February, what day? the Cyber Symposium, but I don't think he 11 Was it the last day in February? 11 did. But anything he did on the back end, he 12 12 You know, you're trying -- I see did work, that was paid for by Mike Lindell 13 13 what you're trying to say here. Well, did he to him. 14 do anything with Absolute Proof on 14 Q. So -- so in your mind there's -- he's not 15 15 February 5th after Smartmatic sued Fox News acting as the CTO of MyPillow when he's and changed our world forever with lawfare? 16 16 working for you at MyPillow company as a CTO 17 I don't know. 17 of MyPillow? 18 My guess is whenever that email 18 A. No. When he is working for me at other 19 was, it could have been MyPillow, it could've 19 things with technology, that entity gets 20 been Lindell Management. So, you know, 20 billed. That entity gets billed, whether he 21 21 is the MyPillow employee and we don't have whatever -- but he was not acting in a 22 22 capacity of MyPillow, regardless if he did enough for him to do there or it's spread 23 any work for myself. That's a fact. 23 out. 24 24 MyPillow had absolutely nothing to do with That's what we did at Lindell 25 25 Absolute Proof or any of this stuff you're Management. We also had to do that at Page 338 Page 340 trying to say, period. MyPillow. You don't just take a MyPillow 1 2 You could ask -- if you depose Todd employee and if he does work for outside of 3 Carter, ask him if he ever seen any evidence 3 MyPillow -- just like we do work for MyStore, 4 or whatever or seen anything, you know. MyStore gets billed for it. 5 So whatever. What's the next 5 So MyPillow would bill -- if Todd 6 thing? Carter did work for FrankSpeech, they billed 7 Q. Mr. Carter continued to do work promoting FrankSpeech if he is working for MyPillow. 8 materials claiming that the 2020 election was But that's why we had Lindell Management, to 9 stolen throughout 2021, correct? 9 spread this out. 10 A. I don't know. I don't know. Todd Carter 10 When it went back to MyPillow --11 would run the back end. He doesn't promote 11 and I believe it might have been for his 12 anything. He's an IT guy. If I say, Hey, I 12 health insurance purposes, for all I know. I 13 want -- I want this video fixed here, I want can't remember why some of them went back. 13 14 this fixed over here, I want this -- the back 14 I believe it's because MyPillow 15 end, I want the rack space quadrants put into 15 just started billing the entity MyStore or 16 this, I want, you know -- that's what --16 FrankSpeech. They didn't have to bill the 17 17 individuals within. MyPillow billed those that's what he does. 18 He doesn't have any knowledge --18 other entities that MyPillow did work for, 19 even putting stuff up, I mean, he has no 19 whether it was lawyer work, email work, IT 20 clue. He is not a big -- I don't even think 20 work. That happens all the way through.

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It's very common of a company like MyPillow.

So when Todd Carter switched, he

22 So they're billing out for services that we

23 have above and beyond selling pillows.

25 was billed -- like if he did work for

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1	MyStore, MyPillow would bill MyStore, just
2	like MyPillow would bill FrankSpeech, just
3	like MyPillow would bill Lindell Management
4	if Todd did work for me.

And so whatever day he switched, those days, all that stuff would be billed to Lindell Management from -- MyPillow would charge Lindell Management for Todd Carter, whether it was Todd Carter, Nick Dressen, Dawn Curtis. I don't care who it would be.

- 11 The call center, the manufacturing plant,
- 12 whatever it would be, those entities get 13 billed for that service. It's kind of like
- 14 Lindell Management going over here. It's a
- 15 little more work for accounting, but that's
- 16 what -- that's what we do because --
- 17 Q. Mr. Lindell, does -- do the employees -- do MyPillow employees track the time that 18 19 they're working on various different items?
- 20 A. Absolutely.

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- 21 Q. So how is that --
- 22 A. Absolutely --
- 23 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)
- 24 Q. How is that tracked?
- 25 A. Well, okay, take an instance. Let's say it's

Page 343 1 emails that go out for each entity, so you're

- 2 billed according to the -- if you have, let's
- 3 say -- a hundred percent of the emails.
- 4 Let's say 80 percent of them are MyPillow's
- and 20 percent are, let's say, FrankSpeech or
- Conservative whatever or Over 60. We do

7 emails for many companies.

So then Nick's wage would be split up accordingly to the percentage of work 10 you're doing. We don't sit and micromanage.

11 We just do a, you know, this is 20 percent.

12 So on Todd Carter's thing, it would 13 be -- if it's MyPillow, just like we did with

Lindell Management, okay, he is spending

15 right now -- and that has to be looked at

16 almost once a month because it can change, it 17 can shift.

18 If he's doing a lot of work for 19 MyStore, then MyPillow will bill -- that

20 could go up to 20 percent or that specific

21 project where he's putting in a hundred

22 percent of his time, you just bill it for

23 that percent of that month. Whatever is

going on is all it is. So --

25 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

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- emails. You have -- you might be -- you come
- 2 to an agreement at MyPillow, okay, we're
- 3 going to bill -- or let's say it's MyStore.
- 4 You're billed, let's say, 30 percent of the
- 5 time. We do the tracking ourself, the
- 6 individual employee.
- 7 I'll sit down with my son,
- 8 accounting, whatever -- usually it's my son
- 9 because he very much wants MyPillow to get
- 10 their money, believe me. He's a stickler for
- 11 that. You can't -- it would be unfair to
- 12 MyPillow if you had people doing work for
- 13 outside entities.
- 14 So you come to an agreement. Like
- 15 MyStore, I believe we came to an agreement
- that it was -- and this was the attorney back
- 17 then that would be involved, too.
- 18 So like here we would come to --
- 19 let's say it's the call center, 2 percent
- 20 of -- or 5 percent of the calls. So that's 21 easy to track because you know how much comes
- 22 in, but let's say it's -- and you know how
- 23 much product when it's sold like that.
- 24 Let's say it's email blasts.
- 25 That's pro rated. So you have this many

- A. Like here's an example.
- Q. Mr. Lindell --
- 3 A. Our lawyer --
- 4 Q. Mr. Lindell --
- A. Yeah.

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- 6 Q. So the answer to my question is, no, the
- 7 employee himself doesn't keep track of time,
  - you're saying that --
- 9 A. No, that's done between --
- 10 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)
- A. That's done between entities. The employee 11 12 does -- that's done between entities.

So if you -- you know, if you

got -- and a lot of times -- like in Todd

15 Carter's case, how much time are you spending

on this, how much time on this.

Like right now he had a lot to do with Lindell Recovery Network because we were attacked by the Attorney General. So he is getting that website, which was a complete

21 flipover three months ago, a whole new site. 22 He had to dedicate probably 99 percent of his

23 time, or at least 95, to that.

So MyPillow would be billing that

entity, but that entity is a charity. So

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the numbers are at.

My guess it's in that FrankSpeech

loan thing, MyStore thing, Lindell Management 25

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1	that so what they would do there, that	1	thing. So those would be, you know we'll
2	would be donation in kind. The accountants	2	give you those. That's easy.
3	to that or you know.	3	BY MR. FREY:
4	Todd Carter, he gets asked Todd	4	Q. I want to look at this exhibit here that we
5	gets asked a lot. They'll say, What are you	5	placed up, which is Exhibit 750. This has
6	spending your time on? He gets asked. So	6	Bates stamp DEF060729.
7	does Doug Wardlow, like the employee or	7	(Deposition Exhibit 750 was marked for identification.)
8	the in-house attorney that went to MyPillow	8	BY MR. FREY:
9	now instead of Lindell Management.	9	Q. Do you see this here? It's from Todd Carter
10	Nick is another one. Nick is easy.	10	at MyPillow.com.
11	Some of them are easy to track because it's	11	A. Yeah.
12	percentage of sales. That's all. The other	12	Q. And the date is May 26, 2021, right?
13	ones, like Todd, you've got to ask him how	13	A. Yep.
14	much are you doing here, how much are you	14	Q. And his email address signature is Todd
15	doing here. That's it.	15	Carter, chief technology officer at MyPillow,
16	Q. And, Mr. Lindell, then do you have	16	correct?
17	documentation of these bills and invoices	17	A. Yep.
18	going back and forth?	18	Q. So Mr. Carter wouldn't just make up that
19	A. That's all in that's all that's all	19	signature block, chief technology officer at
20	internal, done internal in accounting. All	20	MyPillow, right?
21	of that's kept track with in accounting and	21	A. Okay. Let me just tell you Sarah Cronin has
22	billed in accounting accordingly. When you	22	not been employed at MyPillow in eons and
23	see those so that will be, you know in	23	she's got sarahcronin@mypillow.com. She
24	any given month, it's all done in accounting.	24	hasn't worked for MyPillow in probably eight
25	You'd have to, you know, pull up pull up	25	to ten years. So you guys can say all you
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1	those records.	1	want. These are just they're
2	Q. All right. And do you have	2	interchangable emails. We haven't that's
3	(Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk.)  Q. Please produce those to us.	3	what they happen to come down their block.  Like if I email right now, I have
4	A. Yeah, I can see if we have them. Those are	4	•
5	basically intercompany IOUs that would be	5 6	eight different emails. At one time I was sending out foundation. I go crap, I hit the
7	tracked, you know, this is how much and I	7	wrong thing on there and it pulled up the
8	can find that out. I can find out how it's	8	wrong email as the primary. So that's all
9	wrote down.	9	that is.
10	I don't know how it ends up in	10	
11	QuickBooks, but it does. Some of it's a	11	A. What signature block?
12	formula that's done every month, I know that,	12	
13	based on based on sales.	13	-
14	Q. Well, Mr. Lindell, I'll speak to your	14	
15	attorney.	15	-
16	MR. FREY: Mr. Kachouroff, I would	16	-
17	ask for the production of that, which I think	17	working for MyPillow.
18	is already encapsulated in our fifth set	18	Q. And in this email
19	THE WITNESS: I think it's	19	
20	already I think it's already I think	20	•
21	it's already in what you guys have there. We	21	A. Then you separate out things when he's doing
22	just to have the accountants point to where	22	
00	the continue and the	00	

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gone through" -- whose registrates [phonetic]

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1	Q. Based on the context of the email, it appears	1	Page 351 they were paid by me at Lindell Management or
2	to be for the Cyber Symposium, I'll represent	2	Mike Lindell, a hundred percent, a hundred
3	to you.	3	percent.
4	A. What day what's the date on this?	4	Anybody that showed up there that
5	Q. May 26, 2021.	5	maybe took people at the door, and I don't
6	A. The Cyber Symposium it's a complete lie	6	know if she was or not or if what she did,
7	because the Cyber Symposium was in August and	7	they were all paid personally by Mike
8	it hadn't even been thought up yet. So sorry	8	Lindell, one hundred percent. Not one dime
9	to rain on your parade. The Cyber Symposium	9	was taken from MyPillow and paid to these
10	wasn't planned until July and I threw it in	10	people.
11	August. So May is nothing. I have no idea	11	And Terri Pietz there's another
12	what this is for.	12	one. She doesn't even work for MyPillow
13	So (buzzer sound). Sorry. What	13	anymore and to this day she if you emailed
14	else is next? You guys should get your facts	14	her, she uses her MyPillow.com email. This
15	right before you start pulling stuff out.	15	is
16	I have no idea what these emails	16	Q. When Ms. Pietz when Ms. Pietz worked for
17	were for. Probably MyPillow emails. We have	17	MyPillow, was she salaried or did she get
18	problems all the time with MyPillow emails.	18	paid hourly?
19	We have to make sure that we don't get put on	19	A. She got paid hourly.
20	spam and everything else. Todd works with	20	Q. How about Mr. Carter? Is he salaried or is
21	internally on that a lot.	21	he paid hourly?
22	But it definitely wasn't Cyber	22	A. He's salary.
23	Symposium, I'll tell you that. One thousand	23	Q. And Ms. Curtis?
24	percent. Cyber Symposium wasn't thought up	24	A. Hourly. I don't know. I don't know about
25	until July of 2021 and it was it was held	25	her, if she is hourly or salary. She works
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1	on, I believe, August maybe 12th, 13th, 14th,	1	every day like clockwork from 6:00 to 3:00.
2	something like that, in '21.	2	So I think she's probably hourly, but I don't
3	Q. Let's look at the next document	3	know for sure.
4	A. Yeah, that one didn't work out for you.	4	Q. I want to look at the next one, tab 32.
5	What's the next one?	5	MR. FREY: Julie, this will be
6	Q which is tab 30.	6	DEF121693, Exhibit 752.
7	MR. FREY: This will be	7	(Deposition Exhibit 752 was marked for identification.)
8	Exhibit 751. And for the record, the Bates	8	BY MR. FREY:
9	identifier on this document is DEF078672.	9	Q. And do you see at the top here these are
10	(Deposition Exhibit 751 was marked for identification.) BY MR. FREY:	10	oh, sorry texts between Nick Dressen and
11 12	Q. You see this is MyPillow employee Terri Pietz	11 12	Todd Carter? A. That's correct.
13		13	Q. And Nick Dressen is a MyPillow employee?
14	sending A. Yeah.	14	A. Yes, Nick is a MyPillow employee.
15	Q a Cyber Symposium attendee list in Excel	15	Q. On page 13
16	format. Do you see that?	16	A. Did that say 2019? I thought I seen there.
17	A. Okay. Yep. That's on August 9th of 2021.	17	Q. Oh, yeah, those are all those were
18	Q. And so did Ms. Pietz work on the Cyber	18	redacted because they were older texts.
19	Symposium?	19	So we're going down to page 13. Do
20	A. I have no idea. I don't know where Terri	20	you see this? You can see the date there.
21	Pietz it's not Pietz. It's Pietz. She's	21	It's August 5th, 2021?
22	the one that hangs what do you call	22	A. Yep.
23	pictures and stuff.	23	Q. And Mr. Dressen says, "Here is a visual for
24	If she were anyone that went to	24	how Mike wants the email to look. I couldn't
	ii one wore anyone that wont to		How winto wanto the ornali to look. I couldn't

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company. He's working for MyPillow. He

doesn't have a clue of what he's sending or

what he's doing there. He does the work and

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1 links now." Right?	1 hits the button. That's exactly right. And
2 A. Right. That's right.	2 so MyPillow bills FrankSpeech. MyPillow
3 MR. FREY: The attachment there	3 bills FrankSpeech or in this case would have
4 we'll introduce as Exhibit 753.	4 been Lindell Management for this work being
5 (Deposition Exhibit 753 was marked for identification.)	5 done.
6 BY MR. FREY:	6 Q. I'm going to move to strike everything after
7 Q. Do you see here that this is an advertisement	7 "yeah" as nonresponsive.
8 for the Cyber Symposium event on August	8 So
9 A. Absolutely. Yes. Yes, I do.	9 A. Because you don't because you don't want
10 Q. And Mr. Dressen created this visual, right?	10 the truth put in there.
11 A. No, he didn't create that visual. What do	11 Q Mr. Dressen move to strike.
12 you mean? He doesn't create that. He	Mr. Dressen understands himself to
13 can't he's not a designer.	be a MyPillow employee, correct?
14 Q. Well, he says	14 A. Yeah. And he also knows when he's doing work
15 A. He put he put this he put this into an	for the other entities that it gets billed
16 email to FrankSpeech, the FrankSpeech email	out. That's exactly right. You are a
17 list. That's what he did. He put this image	17 hundred percent right. He's a MyPillow
that I gave him. Okay? I did my thing.	18 employee and, yes, he does work for other
That email there, I took that and he took	19 entities. And MyPillow part of his wage
20 that and he put it in his email to a	20 gets covered because of that. What a great
21 FrankSpeech customer, not MyPillow.	thing, because MyPillow has been decimated so we're able to find him other work to not have
<ul><li>We never, ever, ever would mix</li><li>MyPillow with what I was doing, period, and</li></ul>	<ul><li>we're able to find him other work to not have</li><li>to lay off people like Nick Dressen or Todd</li></ul>
that includes text marketing, too, because	24 Carter instead of all the rest of our
25 you're never going to find a MyPillow person	25 employees we had to get rid of because he
Page 354	Page 356  1 is of the lawfare and attacks on our
<ol> <li>out there that got sent something like this.</li> <li>That's not true. So this is a FrankSpeech</li> </ol>	2 company that has been decimated. So we're
3 email list and and to advertise to them	3 finding him other work that MyPillow can bill
4 about this event. That's correct.	4 out for. You are correct.
5 Q. And Mr. Dressen is working on this with	5 Q. Move to strike everything after
6 Mr. Carter?	6 A. You want to strike that, too? Well, of
7 A. No, Mr. Carter Mr. Carter, I told him to	7 course you do. Of course you do.
8 he has to embed it on FrankSpeech when he	8 Q. Mr. Lindell, if you could just answer my
9 would be working for FrankSpeech. This image	9 questions, we could get done a lot quicker.
where people can go to has to be embedded	10 A. I don't care how quick we get done. I've got
11 somewhere. So it was embedded on my own	11 all night.
12 servers that I bought at FrankSpeech when I	12 Nick Dressen is a MyPillow employee
13 built FrankSpeech.	that does work for other entities that
14 And Todd Carter so he goes,	14 MyPillow bills for. That's it.
here, use this image and it's a link to it.	15 Q. And you see here on this exhibit
16 So that's all he was doing, was sending that	16 A. Many other entities, by the way, many others.
17 to what I wanted to Nick Dressen. That's	17 Amix [phonetic] Amix. There's all kinds
18 correct.	of companies he does emails for.
19 Q. And Nick Dressen is another MyPillow	19 MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike, let him ask
20 employee?	20 his question. You answer the question.
21 A. Yeah. And then MyPillow would bill. For all	21 THE WITNESS: Well, there's other
the FrankSpeech emails they billed the	companies he works for. I'm just trying to
22 company Hala working for MyDillow Ha	22 analyse the greation Llots of MyDilloys

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answer the question. He's a MyPillow

employee, but we bill out his hours to other

people. He doesn't know what he's sending.

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Page 357 Page 359 1 We just send it. There's many companies, at 1 to do work for entities such as FrankSpeech 2 least seven that I know of, that he does 2 or for the Cyber Symposium in this time 3 3 email work for. period of, you know, July of --4 BY MR. FREY: 4 A. It was common for my -- it was common for 5 Q. MyPillow bills out the amount to other 5 MyPillow -- prior to all this election companies, so MyPillow gets paid for his 6 6 garbage, it was prior to MyPillow -- they 7 time? 7 would do work for, let's say, it was the 8 A. That's exactly -- MyPillow gets -- when he's 8 foundation or MyStore or -- this is why we 9 9 doing work for other companies, MyPillow came up with Lindell Management, because we 10 10 charges the other companies that he's doing had to sit there and divide out how much 11 emails for: of course he does. He's not 11 money that this entity would owe MyPillow to 12 be fair because you had lawyers -- their time 12 doing it to, like, benefit to MyPillow. It's 13 13 is divided. Todd Carter's time was divided. so he can keep a job because he lost a lot of 14 MyPillow things because there wasn't much to 14 Nick's time would be divided. 15 do as MyPillow lost all its business. 15 Entities where you were doing 16 So we've added business. I'll give 16 stuff -- like we did stuff for this one 17 an example. We send out for, oh, other 17 church -- this one church and we're going --18 companies, like Amix and over 60, we send out 18 and that had nothing to do with MyPillow, so 19 their emails. They get billed. We've almost 19 MyPillow would bill that church for that 20 20 created like a little company within a time. We didn't upcharge it. We were just 21 21 company that can help people with their email doing it as a favor. But it helped -- it 22 blasts. We've become -- he's become -- we've 22 helped the church. And we just divided the 23 become very good with marketing that way. 23 time. There were too many entities. 24 24 Q. And MyPillow profits from doing these things? So when we get into '21, nothing 25 25 A. No. MyPillow doesn't upcharge. MyPillow was any different then that we had already Page 358 Page 360 been doing for seven or eight years and we 1 just takes what we would've paid Nick. 2 Instead of having a management company, we had other entities. That's when we brought 3 divide it out. We don't upcharge that. We in Lindell Management to actually -- so we 4 don't upcharge that. We're not putting could do that and bill those things 5 things on Nick's wage. We're just dividing correctly, because there were employees like 6 up his wage so it's correctly put so he's not Todd Carter, one of the in-house attorneys, 7 doing work for MyPillow when it's for 7 one of the -- you know, where these 8 somebody else. That's all. We don't entities -- like MyStore might have needed 9 upcharge that. one-fourth of an IT guy or one-third of a 10 And we do it at MyPillow -- I mean 10 website guy. And rather than hire these out, 11 at MyStore, it's a broader thing where --11 we thought, well, heck, we'll just do it from 12 that's a little broader thing. So MyPillow 12 within and they'll pay the -- that part of 13

actually makes money for doing fulfillment and call center work for MyStore and other entities in that -- in that regard.

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The other thing like we say, rather than having two technology officers or two or three -- this is what Lindell Management was. But when MyStore went back, we went back to the way we were doing it before.

It's not fair to a MyPillow thing if you're doing work over here. You better at least get that part of his wage back and paid for. And that's all we do.

25 Q. So was it common then for MyPillow employees 25

their wage. That's where we set up Lindell 14 Management. 15 But we went back to that, though, 16 when my son and I came up with MyStore being -- doing fulfillment because it got very hard with MyStore to divide it out. So we did a 19 percentage. It wasn't fair. You're doing it 20 for another entity. And we were doing a lot 21 of fulfillment for MyStore and MyStore employees and it got very convoluted. So we 23 put everything into my MyStore. MyStore 24 employee, they just did MyStore work.

Once we did that we -- we put Todd

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1	and them back into MyPillow and then and	1	but he couldn't do it because MyPillow was
2	like Nick and him it's basically just	2	maybe 24 percent of or 24 hours of his job
3	Nick, him, and you might have and the	3	and maybe 16 over here. So to have two
4	lawyer, those three, where they're doing work	4	separate checks you would lose your health
5	for other entities that were just going, hey,	5	insurance. You couldn't because you have
6	if you're doing work over here, MyPillow,	6	to hit a certain plateau at one of the
7	we'll just bill them for those hours and for	7	entities.
8	that time. We don't upcharge.	8	There was a lot of thought that
9	Q. That's so what you just described of	9	went into that when we had to switch him
10	MyPillow employees doing work for other	10	back. And you know
11	entities and then MyPillow charging out time	11	Q. They were MyPillow employees, correct?
12	to those other entities is part of MyPillow's	12	A. When? Todd was not until sometime in
13	regular business practice?	13	February. He went from Lindell Management to
14	A. No. It was only because we had employees	14	that.
15	that we didn't that when when MyPillow	15	Q. Okay. February sometime in February 2021
16	started going downhill, was losing jobs and	16	he's a MyPillow employee?
17	everything else, and when we for example,	17	A. If your things are right. If yours are
18	losing the box stores, we losing the box	18	right. I'll have to fact check you on that.
19	stores, we had to make that's when I moved	19	I'll call Alan Duke.
20	Todd back in.	20	Q. I want to look now at Exhibit 753 [sic].
21	You had you didn't have work.	21	This is tab 33. This is Bates number
22	Like all the Lindell Recovery Network, all	22	DEF006817. I apologize, Exhibit 754.
23	that I had to leave that aside. So there	23	(Deposition Exhibit 754 was marked for identification.)
24	wasn't work over here. It was basically hit	24	BY MR. FREY:
25	the pause button. The foundation hit the	25	Q. And this is from a Jessica Maskovich, who we
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1	pause button.	1	discussed earlier I believe, to a Kimberley
2	So all this stuff so we moved	2	Warrick at jimbakkershow.com, correct?
3	him back into MyPillow. And if there was any	3	A. Uh-huh.
4	work done outside of that, MyPillow would	4	Q. And this is August 23rd, 2021. She's
5	just bill them for it. It wasn't to make	5	emailing about the topics you would like to
6	money. It was because it wasn't fair to	6	cover during the taping on the Jim Bakker
7	MyPillow if he's doing work for these other	7	show, right?

7 MyPillow if he's doing work for these other

8 entities.

9 Same way with Doug Wardlow. I 10 don't know what's so hard to understand. It 11 was -- when MyStore got moved back -- when

12 MyStore got their own fulfillment and stuff,

13 it didn't make sense. I could go out and

14 hire a -- I could've turned Todd Carter into

15 contract labor, but then he would lose his

16 health insurance. We even talked about that.

17 And Doug Wardlow, where you would go, okay,

18 you guys bill this entity this and this

19 entity this. That's why we did it with --

20 Lindell Management did it here, moved him

21 back to MyPillow. It's basically how much

22 work is he doing over here. They'll pay that

23 wage rather than have --

We even were going to have two separate payrolls and two separate checks, 7 show, right?

8 A. Yep. Right.

9 Q. And Ms. Maskovich lists topics we'd like to

10 cover on the show beginning with the election

11 of 2020, right?

12 A. Yep.

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13 Q. And so is Ms. Maskovich here setting up media

appearances for you about the 2020 election?

15 A. No. Absolutely not. The Jim Bakker show,

which I've been on numerous times going back

which is been en namered times geing but

17 to 2014, when they have me on there it's to

interview me and they sell products in their

show, if you've ever watched the Jim Bakker

20 show.

21 So whatever the topics would be -22 you see Lindell Recovery Network, the media,
23 whatever is going on in the world right now,
24 that's what they're interviewing. It just so
25 happened that this interview was the election

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Page 365 of 2020 and cancel culture. 2 If you go back -- we were usually 3 on there about once every four or five 4 months. When I would go on there, their 5 ministry, they would sell hundreds and 6 hundreds of MyPillow products. So they would 7 do that, and then they would interview me 8 whatever it would be. 9 So let's say they're talking about 10 my Recovery Network or they're talking about 11 MyPillow hiring all these employees or let's 12 say it would be my foundation, whatever it

13 was. And then they would ask me about the

14 news, whatever is going on in the media at

15 that time. Okay? This is a -- this is a --16 and then along with that, if you have ever 17 watched that hour show, they're selling 18 products. They're selling products. So they've done -- they've done 20 their show with selling my products before. They do it all the time. They sold my 21 22 products. They've done the show without me

Once again -- this is a little bit 25 different, though. It's kind of like -- in a

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Is there anything he doesn't want?

This is stemming back to them and I'm going here's what I would like to cover; the election, cancel culture, the media, Lindell Recovery Network and miracles we are living right now -- miracles we are living right now. But they reached out to her and say here's what we'd like to do -- talk about. That happens in regular interviews, too, all the time. Is Mike comfortable talking about these or what would he want to talk about? And for me my answer is I'll

13 talk about anything you want. 14 Q. What does "miracles we are living right now" 15 refer to?

16 A. I don't know back then. I guess the 17 miracles, that would be -- I don't know what 18 the date of this is. August of '21. I have 19 no idea.

> The miracles about -- eventually we have taken until now that someday we'll have paper ballots hand counted. I don't know what I as thinking back then. Miracles we're living right now.

> > I know what it was, all the bad

Page 366 way it's -- it's not a shopping channel, but that's how they make their money, is all products. And they make it a human interest story like -- kind of like when I was on The View. The View would have their interviews and stuff and then they're selling MyPillow product or whatever product would be there. But not necessarily The View -- that's a -well, kind of because that's the way Jim Bakker is. There's like three of them on a

So Jessica, what -- she always set up Jim Bakker show because that's a big -was a big revenue stream. But this -- this particular time I happened to be on it myself and here were the topics that they wanted to cover, that they asked to cover, am I comfortable talking about these? Okay?

panel and they're bringing in the guest.

Q. Well, Ms. Maskovich says, "...here are the topics Mike would like to cover...." Correct? That's what it says?

22 A. They give -- they give a list of topics and 23 say which ones do you want? They always did

24 this at Bakker. What would Mike like to talk 25 about? Here's what we -- here's our list.

things that were happening, more and more people -- this is what I talked about on the show. Now I do remember. People didn't look to God when things are going good, it's

5 usually when things are going bad.

6 And right out of the gate if you 7 talk politics, these -- our country started getting destroyed. The border was opened up. Fentanyl was pouring in. As you know, I'm very partial to helping addicts. And people 10 11 were dvina.

12 But all these miracles that were 13 going on, more and more people were finding their Lord as their personal savior. It's a 15 bucket, and people were pouring into this 16 bucket even in spite of all the horrible, 17 horrific things that were going on that we 18 were experiencing over the last year and a 19 half, including the China virus. 20 So then you had all the stuff with

21 the elections, and then what -- this administration had shut down the pipeline, 13 people committed suicide, 50,000 people lost 24 their job. Let's open up the border, let 25 fentanyl pour in. Gas prices shot through

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year. But it was taken down. After you guys

after that, I believe.

sued Fox News, my Twitter was taken down soon 24

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	1	the roof. The economy getting decimated.			And at the time
	2	I switched that around and said		Α.	In fact, it made the news. In fact, it made
	3	these are miracles because more and more	3		actually, it was the same day I think you
	4	people God has given us grace because more	4		sued Fox News, to be honest with you, because
	5	and more people are finding the Lord every	5		I was on Newsmax and they were asking why
	6	day.	6		MyPillow Twitter got taken down. And the guy
	7	People talk to me every day. Mike,	7		ripped his microphone off because he was
	8	this doesn't feel like grace. You said that	8		he said, We here do not talk about electronic
	9	back in the day God has given us grace for	9		machines. We are we believe that the
	10	such a time like this, back to the Rose	10	_	election was perfect. And he had
	11	Garden speech. I said, Oh, but it is because	11	Q.	Mr. Lindell, who ran the MyPillow Twitter
	12	people are pouring into this bucket.	12 13		account before it was taken down? Who posted on it?
	13	If you go to my Lindell Recovery		۸	
	14	Network, getting off addiction is just a		Α.	I don't know. But I posted on it when I
	15	bonus. It's finding Jesus as your savior is	15		know I posted on it when it was lost. There
	16	the real win. And that's what I was talking	16 17		was there was one post that was put up
	17	about.	18		there was one post that was put up by me and
	18	That's what the Jim Bakker show is	19		I said because when they took down my personal Twitter, I went to MyPillow's
	19	all about, is taking everything that's going	20		Twitter and I put on there: Hey, Jack
	20 21	on and showing how, you know this is why I went on there. It shows, hey, this is what's	21		Dorsey, this is what Jack took down my
	22	happening. It's a much bigger picture.	22		personal Twitter for, and I put on there
	23	We're in a spiritual battle of evil	23		it was a thing about my Lindell Recovery
	24	and good that this world has never seen	24		Network, this beautiful thing written by my
	25	anything like this.	25		director. And this was about 12:00, 12:30 at
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	1	Page 370 Q. All right. I want to move on to topic 15,	1		Page 372 night and then no response. All the bots and
	2	Mr. Lindell. Topic 15	2		trolls said, Take him down, Jack. He's using
	3	A. Yep. Go ahead.	3		another Twitter. You took his away. And
	4	MR. FREY: Can you put that up.	4		then finally I put: Jack, we know you're in
	5	Put the notice back up for you so you can	5		on this and we look forward to the day you go
	6	read it.	6		to prison or something like that for being
	7	BY MR. FREY:	7		involved in this. And then Jack took down
	8	Q. Topic 15 is MyPillow's social media accounts	8		MyPillow's Twitter. Before that I wasn't
	9	from January 1, 2020 to the present, and then	9		running it. They just put ads up. That was
	10	I'll you can read the including there.	10		all it was ever used for. All of our social
		A. (Reviewing document.)	11		media is ads.
	12	Q. Let me know when you're ready.	12	O	. Aside from that, you could post on it and the
		A. I see it.	13	~	other posts
	14	Q. Okay. And did you prepare yourself to	14	Α.	. No, that's the only time that's the only
	15	testify as to this topic today, Mr. Lindell?	15		time I posted on it that I ever remember,
	16	A. No. I know everything that I I believe	16		ever, was because they took my personal
	17	I'm fairly knowledgeable on everything here.	17		Twitter away.
	18	Q. So what are the social media accounts that	18		So the MyPillow the MyPillow
	19	MyPillow has? Did MyPillow have a Twitter	19		posts were all ads, everything of my
	20	account?	20		MyPillow. The only thing ever put on
	21	A. I don't know. I think it got it got taken	21		MyPillow was just like I told you. When
	22	down. I think it was reinstated maybe last	22		Twitter took my personal Twitter away, I
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posted -- Mike Lindell posted to MyPillow's

personal Twitter. I did do that. It was

Twitter saying here's why Jack took down my

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Page 373 Page 375 1 three lines. Q. Who ran these accounts in 2021? 2 Q. Did MyPillow -- does MyPillow have a Facebook A. I don't know. A company. I believe it was a 3 account? company. It might've been outside of 4 4 A. Yes, I believe it does. I'm never on any of MyPillow. I don't know. We had Facebook. 5 these social media. That gets -- I don't do 5 We've hired Facebook companies. Prior to 6 6 any posting ever on the social media, other 2021, you only had Facebook and Twitter 7 7 than what I just told you about MyPillow's basically, so it was very easy. I think 8 8 there was -- it was Facebook and Twitter. Twitter. 9 Q. So who's authorized to post on the Facebook 9 There weren't these other platforms: Gab, 10 10 account? GETTR, Truth, FrankSocial. They all came 11 A. Back then I have no idea. They -- right now 11 because they banned everything on Twitter and it's -- it's a gal named Heidi, and she puts 12 Facebook and deplatformed 1.2 million people. 12 13 up generic ads and buys ads on all those 13 So all these amazing social media places have 14 accounts every day. They're all MyPillow 14 sprung up, all these social media sites. 15 products. 15 There was only Facebook and Twitter 16 Nothing is ever, ever, ever posted 16 that MyPillow advertised on prior to 2021. 17 about anything outside of MyPillow on any of 17 And we didn't do anything on Twitter because 18 those accounts, other than what I just told 18 it was -- we didn't spend any money on 19 you, the one post I did one time when I was 19 Twitter ads because they were -- nobody buys 20 very upset Jack Dorsey took down my personal 20 on Twitter. 21 21 Twitter account with almost a million people So there was -- when you talk about 22 22 on it. organic, having a MyPillow page there, it was 23 Q. Does MyPillow have an Instagram account? 23 probably never used and we probably had very 24 24 A. I have no idea. I don't think so. I don't few sales ever off it. 25 25 know. I don't know. I can't say. I don't And Facebook, we would buy ads. Page 374 Page 376 know. I don't ever post on it. 1 You buy ads and there's a -- you buy MyPillow 2 Q. Does MyPillow have a FrankSocial account? 2 ads there. We have since 2011, I believe. 3 3 A. I don't know that either. And that goes up and down depending on 4 Q. Does MyPillow have a Truth Social account? 4 Facebook changing their algorithms, which is 5 5 A. I don't know. I think it might. I've seen where you can put in -- you can sort your 6 an ad there before. You know, I don't know. 6 filters. They change that all the time. It 7 7 I don't know. can be good and bad. Right now it's kind of 8

- 8 Q. Who at the company would know what social 9 media accounts MyPillow has?
- 10 A. Her name is Heidi. She took over that, I 11 don't know, last year. And so she just puts

12 up ads every day. 13

I know we have a Telegram account on MyPillow. We probably have a Truth. I know we have a Gab, a GETTR.

I think every -- anyplace we can advertise on social media we have -- I'm sure we have every account, but I don't know -yeah, we do have an Instagram. I take that back. We do have an Instagram. The worst sales of all though is definitely --

22 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

- 23 Q. And at the -- so today you said a woman named
- 24 Heidi runs these accounts?
- 25 A. Right.

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- 9 Q. I want to move on to the next topic, topic 10 16, which is the email handle,
- 11 mediainquiry@MyPillow.com, including the
- 12 reasons it was created and MyPillow's 13
  - practices and procedures related to it.

Are you prepared -- have you prepared to testify as to this topic today?

- 16 A. No, but I'm very knowledgeable.
- 17 Q. And so what is -- when was the email handle 18 mediainquiry@MyPillow.com created?
- 19 A. It was created back in 2000 -- I want to say 20 2012 maybe or 2000 -- no, it would be later
- 21 than that. I don't know. Somewhere back in
- 22 the 2012, '11, maybe '13. They -- um, maybe 23

It was created -- at one point back then I had a PR company and they created

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Page 377 1 that. The PR company that was hired, it was in -- they're in Minneapolis. I forget their 2 3 names. And they put it on there. So they 4 would get all the media inquires, which would 5 be if somebody wanted me to come on and talk 6 about MyPillow or whatever it was and also 7 the Lindell Recovery Network. That was a big 8 thing, talking about addiction. And it was 9 the American dream, a story going from crack 10 addict to CEO in this big company with 11 MyPillow. But that was put on by them back then. And the inquiries would go directly to 12 13 them. Even though they had a MyPillow email, 14 they're the ones that had access to it.

> They were fired. I fired them or got rid of them, let's see, somewhere around I want to say 20 -- maybe '18 -- '17 or '18, somewhere in there.

19 Q. And at what --

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- 20 A. Now people -- and now people -- and now 21 people -- go ahead. Go ahead.
- 22 Q. When the PR firm no longer was behind the 23 email account or the email address, who began
- 24 to operate the email address?
- 25 A. I have no idea. We didn't even -- people

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- 1 or would he like to comment on this, things
- 2 like that. It's probably just ran by our
- 3 call center in realtime maybe. I don't know.
  - I don't know.
- Q. It's fair to say that that email address can 6 be used to coordinate your media appearances?
- 7 A. No. Never. Never. The media requests, it's
- 8 usually only -- if somebody requests a media,
  - then it comes to me. They'll send it to me,
- 10 and I will answer them with my cell phone. I
- 11 never answer with an email. It's always my
- cell phone. I'll call them directly. I want 12
- 13 to talk to them. Or I'll have my assistant
- 14 find out, you know, what do they want to talk
- 15 about, what's the -- you know, how much time 16 do they need, do I have to go there in
- 17 person. There's so many things that go into 18 that. And this has been going on since 2012,
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- 20 When we took over, it was like --21 you know, we were paying this company a lot
- 22 of money for -- we could coordinate that. 23 She would call me up, yeah, Mike, this
  - company wants you on or whatever. I'm going,
  - okay, why am I paying them for that? It

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- would want me on their shows and I -- I just
- gave everybody my personal number. My
- 3 number, every media outlet in the world has
- 4 it. I'm free with it. I give every single
- 5 one. They just call me directly. Would you
- 6 like to come on our show? This was in 2015,
- '16, '17. By then it was just me. 7
- 8 Actually, you know what, it was after I fired them when I was on Don Imus and
- 10 that was back, I think, in 2014. I believe
- 11 it was in 2014 because I was paying them like
- 12 15,000 a month and he goes, You don't need
- 13 them. So I just started booking my own
- 14 stuff. People would call me. Yeah, I'll
- 15 come on. I'll come on.

16 And as far as that email, I don't 17 know when that was ever transferred back and 18 who even watched it. Probably our call 19 center would watch it. And I would get a 20 request going, hey, you've got a -- so and so

21 wants -- has a media request if you want to 22 go on their show. 23

Usually we only got them -- the 24 media would do a -- if someone didn't have my 25 email they would -- hey, would Mike come on

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didn't make sense, so we just started -- I just started doing it myself or my assistant.

3 And now my assistant, Katelyn, will

- -- because we get media requests, whether --
- most of them come directly to us or to me
- because everyone's got my cell phone number.
- 7 If they do come to an email, she reads my
- emails and she'll say -- usually if something
- happens -- like last week I was at the DNC.
- 10 You might have all seen where I shaved my
- 11 mustache. Did you all see that? Well, when
- 12 I was there, at the DNC, and I got all kinds
- of media that I hadn't heard from in a while
- and most of them were texting me -- you've
- 15 got a few stragglers from overseas that sent
- 16 an email: We would like to talk to Mike
- 17 Lindell. Would he like to make a comment on
- 18 how did he get into the DNC? You know --
- 19 what credentials did he have? Just stupid

20 stuff like that.

21 Most of the time we will never 22 answer by email back, though, because they will take it out of context. I say, You know

what, you want to talk me? Call me up. I'll

25 do that. Most of them don't like doing that

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l	1		because I'll talk to them for an hour and	1		Februa
l	2		they have things to do.	2	A.	Yeah.
l	3	Q.	So will people email this address, though,	3		2021.
l	4		mediainquiry@MyPillow.com, in order to get in	4	Q.	And th
l	5		touch with you if they don't have your	5		movie -
l	6		number?	6	A.	Right.
l	7	A.	I don't know. It's very seldom we get	7		commu
l	8		anything there ever because they all have my	8		person
l	9		number. They have for ten years. I mean,	9		hard
l	10		since I took it over back with Imus back in	10		thing.
l	11		'13 or '14, I don't know, like someone will	11	Q	. In thi
l	12		email. I go, what, are you the only guy in	12		sent a
l	13		the world that doesn't have my phone number	13		to m
l	14		or my email, my direct email, which is	14		"Mike,
l	15		mike@MyPillow.com? That's where stuff comes	15		Thank
l	16		in.	16		She go
l	17		Nobody uses media requests at	17		persor
l	18		MyPillow. I don't think they have for years.	18		how b
l	19		And we certainly don't nobody gets to	19		
l	20		answer them back without bringing it to me,	20		addres
	21		the request or whatever it is. That would be	21		right?
	22		or a comment to the media. They're not	22	Α.	Yeah
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February 17th, 2021, correct?

- 2 A. Yeah. It says Kate Dalley on February 17,
- 4 Q. And the subject is "Interview Mike on his new movie Media Request," correct?
- 6 A. Right. And Katelyn says, "For future
- 7 communications I'd like you to have my
- 8 personal email: Kg@MyPillow.com." We rarely
- -- hardly anyone sends anything to this
- Q. In this instance Kate Dalley at Dalley Radio
   sent a request -- if we go down to the bottom
   -- to mediainquiry@MyPillow.com and says,
   "Mike, I would love to have you as a guest.
   Thank you for telling the truth." Right?
   She goes on to say, "I'm reaching out
   personally because I'm a huge fan and love
   how bold you are."

So she's reaching out to this email address to ask you to be a guest on her show, right?

A. Yeah. So what's wrong with that? If you're
going to reach Mike Lindell and you don't
have my number, where are you going to try to
get a hold of me at? I'm going to ask you

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there and looks at this media because nothing comes in there. Everyone's got my phone

going to comment for me. They're going to

You know, there's nobody that sits

- 3 number and they have for a long, long time.
- 4 Q. Mr. Lindell, I'm not asking you for requests
  for comment. I'm asking you about
  scheduling.
- 7 A. Scheduling what? No, we never use that --
- 8 Q. Let's look at an example.

send it to me.

- 9 A. Ever, ever do we use that to schedule
  10 anything that I know of. I mean, schedule
  11 what? Katelyn schedules stuff and she puts
- it on my calendar on my phone that we both do
- 13 together. We're the only two, at least
- 14 nowadays, that you schedule. Back then or
- 15 whatever you got February of 2021, so -- Kate
- 16 Dalley. I don't know Kate Dalley --
- 17 Q. Mr. Lindell, please stop. Let me create a18 record here.
- 19 A. Okay.

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- 20 MR. FREY: Exhibit 755, a document 21 Bates stamped DEF026609.
- 22 (Deposition Exhibit 755 was marked for identification.)
- 23 BY MR. FREY:
- Q. And as you were beginning to say, this is anemail with the top one on the chain dated

Page 384 guys that. Of course you're going to go, well, let's see, he owns MyPillow.

If I am going to try to reach Elon
Musk, I'm going to call Starlink or whatever
the heck he's got. If I'm going to call and
Would try to meet someone if I didn't know
how to get a hold of them, I would go to
their company.

9 If it was Donald Trump before he 10 was President, you know what I would do, I 11 would go to Trump Tower and go, hey, can I 12 meet -- I would send something.

13 Inquiry, that's pretty common.

14 Anybody in the world -- what we do is we

deflect them off of there and say, hey, callMike directly. You don't have to go through

17 mediainquiries@MyPillow. This is a catch-all

18 right now that's sitting there.

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19 I guess, you know, if someone is 20 going to reach me for something outside of 21 MyPillow, they're still going to come through 22 there if they don't have my number. But this 23 might be the one person that didn't have my 24 personal number.

But what did Katelyn do? She said

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Page 385 here's how to reach me in the future because 1 2 nobody even looks at this thing anymore, very 3 seldom any media inquiry. I bet you no one 4 is monitoring it right now. 5 Q. Do you see, Mr. Lindell, in the next email up 6 Kate writes back -- right -- or KG writes 7 back and begins to try to schedule you for 8 the show, right? 9 A. Okay. Right. 10 Q. And then if we keep going up to -- okay. At 11 the bottom of the third page, on February 17th mediainquiry@MyPillow.com writes back 12 13 and says, "Kate, I appreciate you adding this 14 additional information! I must ask, we just 15 switched to only accepting interviews if Mike 16 is allowed to discuss Dominion and Smartmatic

Do you see that? 21 A. Yep.

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Q. So this mediainquiry@MyPillow.com account is 22 23 scheduling interviews for you in which you

machines. Is this something Mike could

discuss on your show? His documentary would

be an entryway into discussing the machines."

24 will only --

25 A. Find another one. Find another one.

Page 387 Hey, he owns this company, maybe I'll reach out to him. And Katelyn answered her back in the future use KG whatever it was and she answered this person. She's only scheduling interviews.

If you want to talk about the weather. I didn't have time back then. We're trying to save a country. So I'm not going to talk to you about -- you're not going to have me on your interview and talk about the weather or the economy or even how bad MyPillow is getting hit, you know, whatever it was. I didn't have time. I had to shut everything down and just talk about elections and our election platforms, getting rid of the machines.

16 17 Q. Mr. Lindell, my only question, and I'd 18 appreciate it if you would keep your answer 19 to the question, is that this person was 20 reaching out to MyPillow.com to schedule you 21 to be on her show and the MyPillow.com email 22 account is responding scheduling shows to 23 talk about only Dominion and Smartmatic, 24 correct?

25 A. No, that's not correct.

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Page 386 (Simultaneous indiscernible crosstalk)

Q. -- correct? 2

3 A. No, that's not true at all. This is -- this was one person that didn't know how to reach me, this Kate whoever.

> Everything came through my phone. 99.99 percent of every media, including every left wing journalist out there, which I would get at least from morning until night -- from 6:00 a.m. in the morning until 9:00 p.m. until I went to bad, I would do hundreds of interviews -- not hundreds, but at least 30 to 40 every single day. Mike, you lost three more retailers. How do you feel? Mike, can I talk to you? I would just take them. We couldn't even schedule them. They kept calling and attacking every single day.

This one person you cherry-picked out that didn't know how to reach me -- what was Katelyn supposed to do? Oh, I'm sorry. Could you switch over here and I'll tell you this? She just is answering because this person didn't know how to reach me for Dominion and Smartmatic and election issues. So she reached out like anyone else did.

Q. Okav. So when --

A. I don't believe -- I don't believe it's 3 correct. You're saying MyPillow is 4 responding as MyPillow. No. This person 5 couldn't find me, so she reached out to the 6 company knowing I own the company. You're 7 trying to twist this into something it's not. 8 That's bizarre.

> So I'm going to -- I've given you my answer. I'm not going to give any more answers. I've given you my answer.

This person didn't know how to reach me. This isn't a common thing at MyPillow. If you didn't know how to reach me in the past when it was before, but then everybody got my phone number.

But if you go back two years, sure, there was a whole bunch of stuff called in all the time for me to come on. Mike, you just helped the victims in whatever -- here. Mike did this. You know, this just happened to be she didn't know how to reach me so she reached out to a company that I am part owner in.

And this person that happened to be

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Page 389 Page 391 watching it then was Katelyn, which I for the CIA. Everything checked out. I get 1 1 2 guarantee you somebody probably told her that 2 a piece of that, but it had a government gag 3 3 this was on this media thing watching them; order on it. So I went to -- tried to get 4 4 maybe she was. that signed so we could release it to the 5 But you see what she did? She 5 world. 6 6 says, hey, you're emailing the wrong thing. I spent the next six months people 7 7 MyPillow has nothing to do with this. You validating it, that the data was from the 8 know, email me here in the future. 8 2020 election. And I finally said, You know 9 9 MR. KACHOUROFF: Okay. Okay. Next what, I don't care if there is a gag order or 10 10 not, here you go Smartmatic, here you go question. 11 THE WITNESS: Right. 11 Dominion, and that's it. 12 BY MR. FREY: 12 BY MR. FREY: 13 13 Q. And, Mr. Lindell, when you're testifying Q. Mr. Lindell, I'd like to move on to topics 14 20, 21, and 22, which are defendants' July there about what you did, is that -- is that 15 11th, 2023 productions of documents and data 15 you, Mr. Lindell, or is it you as the 16 and defendants' document production 16 corporate representative of MyPillow? 17 practices, including metadata provided with 17 A. Oh, MyPillow -- I don't know -- MyPillow 18 defendants' productions of documents. Do you 18 wouldn't have had access to anything. This 19 see those? 19 was Mike Lindell. MyPillow wouldn't have 20 20 A. (Reviewing document.) Yeah. Okay. Yeah, I access to this. They wouldn't even -- there 21 21 see them. is nobody that would even know anything about 22 Q. Okay. And with respect to topic 21, 22 this, period, so... Yeah, this was Mike 23 defendants' July 11, 2023 productions of 23 Lindell. 24 24 document and data, have you done anything to This is outside of MyPillow that 25 25 prepare yourself as to testify to this topic? they -- but if they were -- so I would assume Page 390 Page 392 1 A. No. I'm just knowledgeable in this area, I 1 that this -- unless the lawvers gave it -- if 2 2 believe. they were all defendants, which you told me 3 Q. Okay. And that production comprised three 3 at the beginning of this we were all clumped 4 hard drives of 32 terabytes of data, as well 4 in the same group, so whoever presented this 5 5 as millions of pages of documents. to -- it came from Dennis Montgomery, came 6 A. Okay. 6 from -- that's where the evidence came from. 7 7 Q. As testifying as MyPillow here, who is one of Now, MyPillow didn't house this. 8 8 the defendants who produced that data, what But we're all defendants, so whatever was 9 is your understanding of the data produced? 9 asked in the discovery is a big glob. It 10 10 A. I believe it was -- I believe -- I believe it came from Dennis Montgomery to you in a nice 11 was hired for over \$100,000 by an outside 11 package. 12 firm, by outside lawyers I have. They hired 12 Q. And so no one -- outside of you as CEO of 13 this firm. And I think it was --13 MyPillow, no one from MyPillow reviewed this 14 14 MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike, he's not data, correct? 15 talking about number 22. He's talking about 15 A. Absolutely not. Absolutely not. One 16 the Dennis Montgomery 32 terabytes in number 16 thousand percent not. I had outside cyber 17 17 guys that I hired to look at this. 21. 18 THE WITNESS: Oh, okay. Okay. 18 Q. And did you as CEO of MyPillow review this --19 19 Yeah, that's the 32 terabytes. That was these documents and data? 20 evidence that I got on January 9th of 2021. 20 A. Not for -- personally I looked at these 21 I was given -- not given on January. I was 21 documents, but not as CEO of MyPillow. I 22 told about it by Mary Fanning, who I didn't 22 didn't go, okay, now I'm going to look at 23 23 know, and it took 17 minutes or 20 minutes them as CEO of MyPillow. Am I the CEO of 24 when she told me all this. And so I had 24 MyPillow? Yes. Am I the president of

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Dennis Montgomery validated. Yes, he worked

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1 my hat off? I can't help my same eyes see	1 there that shouldn't have hired these people,
2 the same documents. What kind of stupid	2 I guess. And so I guess we're going to be
3 question is that?	3 giving you a or whatever happened, I guess
4 MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike, stop. Mike,	4 the lawyer is going to put together a thing
5 stop it. Mike	5 of here's what happened.
6 THE WITNESS: I personally looked	6 MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike, stop.
7 at the documents. What kind of question is	7 For the record, Tim, I sent over
8 that?	8 something just now. I've been working on it.
9 MR. KACHOUROFF: Mike, he's asking	9 See if that suffices for what you guys want.
10 in your capacity as MyPillow's designated	10 We can talk later on tonight and tomorrow
11 person who's testifying for the company.	11 maybe pick that up and you can finish that
12 Answer the question that way.	12 off if you wish.
13 THE WITNESS: I don't know how to	13 MR. FREY: Okay. Well, I'm at a
14 answer the question. I don't know. It's a	14 break point anyway. So let us go take a look
15 trick question. Just like the girl said in	at that and we'll take maybe a 10-minute
16 My Cousin Vinny, it's a trick question. Did	16 break and then we can pick back up. And I
17 MyPillow's board say go look at this data	think just one more session and we should be
18 because we're defendants in a case? No. The	18 done.
19 lawyers at one time I had two separate	19 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going off
20 groups of lawyers, one with MyPillow and one	20 the record, 6:17 p.m.
21 with Mike Lindell.	21 (A recess was taken.)
So I don't know what to say, Chris.	22 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on
23 Mike Lindell I am the CEO of MyPillow, and	the record 6:31 p.m.
24 Mike Lindell my eyes looks at this data	24 BY MR. FREY:
25 and the documents.	25 Q. Mr. Lindell, I want to look at topic 19 of
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1 MR. KACHOUROFF: Okay.	1 the notice, and this is MyPillow's
THE WITNESS: That's all I can say.	2 investigation concerning the accuracy of any
3 I can't say it any other way.	3 claims that Smartmatic rigged the 2020
4 MR. KACHOUROFF: That's your	4 presidential election, Smartmatic had a
5 answer.	5 corrupt relationship with Dominion and ES&S
6 THE WITNESS: That's my answer.	6 during the 2020 presidential election,
7 BY MR. FREY:	7 Smartmatic's election technology, hardware,
8 Q. Okay. Mr. Lindell, with respect to topic	8 and software were compromised or hacked by
9 number 22, defendants' production document	9 China or other foreign countries during the
10 production practices, including metadata	10 2020 U.S. presidential election, Smartmatic's
11 provided with defendants' production of	11 voting machines were connected to the
12 documents, I understand from your current	12 internet during the 2020 U.S. presidential
13 counsel that you will be providing a written	13 election or Smartmatic's election technology,
14 statement in response to this topic. Is that	hardware, and software were designed to steal
15 correct?	15 elections and stole elections before the 2020
16 A. Yeah. Yeah. I guess that's correct because	16 U.S. presidential election.
17 there was a big a third party, I guess,	17 Do you see that topic?
18 that I paid over 100 grand. I don't know if	18 A. Yep.
19 MyPillow paid that or if Mike Lindell paid	19 Q. Mr. Lindell, what, if anything, has MyPillow
20 that. I don't know that part. But they made	20 done to investigate the accuracy of these
21 a a big error, I guess. And we hired	21 claims that I just listed?
22 another company to fix it or something. And	22 A. MyPillow and no employee or representative of
23 so that's all that was all done by third	23 MyPillow has ever represented any of those
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